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Subject's name and aliases

Unsubs. aka, The Freedom Fin;  
Threatening Letter Sent to  
Gil Noble, ABC News,  
on 7 Lincoln Square, NY, NY  
5/27/86 - Extortion  
OO: NY

Character of case

Extortion 9-

Complainant ☐ Protect Source

Supervisor, Sec. Operatic, ABC

Complaint received

☒ Personal ☐ Telephonic Date 5/27/86 Time 2<sup>pm</sup>

Address of subject

Complainant's address and telephone number

Subject's Description	Race	Sex <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	Height	Hair	Build	Birth date and Birthplace
	Age		Weight	Eyes	Complexion	Social Security Number
	Scars, marks or other data					

Facts of complaint

A group calling themselves The Freedom Fin, sent attached letter to News-caster Gil Noble, ABC News demands certain action be taken by the Gov't on behalf of the South Africans. If their actions are not taken in 10 days the group threatens to inject cyanide into different foods accessible to the general public. No direct threat is made on Noble & it appears the group is requesting him to make this announcement on the Air although it is not set forth in letter.

Letter contained a portion of a hypodermic needle.

OPEN (OR REOPEN) CASE

ORIGIN

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DATE

SECT

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Action Recommended

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Unsubs; aka, The Freedom Five;  
Threatening Letter Sent to  
Gil Noble, ABC News,  
on 7 LINCOLN SQUARE, NY, NY  
5127186 - Extortion  
OO: NY

Character of case

Extortion 9-

Complainant ☐ Protect Source

Supervisor, Sec. Operative, ABC

Complaint received

☒ Personal ☐ Telephonic Date 5/27/86 Time 2<sup>pm</sup>

Address of subject

Complainant's address and telephone number

30 W 67 ST, NY, NY (212) 887-3513

Subject's Description

Race

Sex

☐ Male

☐ Female

Height

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Build

Birth date and Birthplace

Age

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Letter contained a picture of a hypodermic needle.

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WE ARE READY AND STANDING  
PAT. THE CARDS ARE ON THE  
TABLE AND WILL BE DEALT OUT  
IF NECESSARY AS SURE AS DAY  
FOLLOWS NIGHT. WE TOOK A VOTE  
AND IT WAS ON A MAJORITY  
(4-1) THAT WE APPROACH AND  
PROPOSE, FIRST, BEFORE ANY  
MAJOR DEATH BLOWS AND CRITICAL  
FINANCIAL CATASTROPHES BE  
EXECUTED.

IT IS VERY OBVIOUS TO ALL THAT  
THE RACIST REAGAN ADMINISTRAT-  
ION DOES NOT GIVE A DAMN ABOUT  
THE BLACK MEN, WOMEN AND  
CHILDREN IN SOUTH AFRICA WHO  
ARE UNDER GENOCIDE SLAVERY  
AND ARE BEING MURDERED, MAIMED  
AND JAILED FOR WANTING TO BE  
FREE AND EQUAL IN THEIR OWN NATURAL  
PLACE OF BIRTH.

THEREFORE THIS FIGHT WE ARE  
GOING TO TAKE, ALL THE WAY TO THE  
END, WILL BE FOR THE FREEDOM AND  
EQUALITY THESE MILLIONS OF EN-  
SLAVED PEOPLE SO RIGHTLY DESERVE  
IN THEIR OWN NATURAL PLACE OF  
BIRTH.



1. THE RACIST REAGAN ADMINISTRATION MUST\* CUT OFF ALL ECONOMIC TIES AND TRADES WITH THE RACIST SOUTH AFRICAN GENOCIDE APARTHEID REGIME BY JUNE 1986.

2. ALL POLITICAL PRISONERS JAILED FOR THEIR STRUGGLE TO BE FREE AND EQUAL IN THEIR OWN NATURAL PLACE OF BIRTH MUST\* BE RELEASED BY JUNE 1986.

3. FOOD, MEDICAL NEEDS AND CLOTHING MUST\* BE GIVEN TO THE ENSLAVED PEOPLE OF SOUTH AFRICA TO SUPPORT A NATION-WIDE STRIKE AND BOYCOTT UNTIL THE RACIST GENOCIDE APARTHEID SYSTEM IS DISMANTLED AND FULL CITIZENSHIP AND EQUAL RIGHTS ARE GIVEN TO ALL.

WE ARE NOT EXTORTIONIST OR CRIMINALS AND MAKE NO FOOLISH, FALSE IGNORANT INNUENDOS AS SUCH.\* (WARNING)\* WE HAVE TAKEN A BLOOD OATH TO END THIS SLAVERY AND THESE MURDERS!

THE  
FREEDOM FIVE  
(ANTI-SLAVERY)

\* FAILURE TO DO SO - INJECTIONS  
WILL COMMENCE NATIONWIDE

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ALL FRUITS - BANANAS, APPLES,  
ORANGES, GRAPES, MANGOS, ETC

ALL ICE CREAM - ALL PIES + CAKES

ALL FOOD CARTONS - MILK, SUGAR, ETC.

ALL MEATS - ALL BREADS - ALL DRINKS

ALL JARS - MAYONNAISE, PICKLES, ETC.  
PEANUT BUTTER, JELLY

WE HAVE DONE OUR TESTS + REHEARSALS  
TO A PERFECTION!

EXAMPLE - WRAPPER TAKEN OFF, TINY  
HOLE VERY SLOWLY MADE IN A TUNA CAN,  
TINY HOLE ELABORATELY SEALED BACK UP -  
UNDETECTABLE, WRAPPER GLUED BACK ON  
AND READY - FOR SHELF, INJECTION  
MADE

\* PLANS FOR:

1. 2. + 3. MUST \* BE ANNOUNCED ON THE  
AIR WITHIN TEN DAYS! \*



CUT FOR ULTIMATE CONCEALMENT,  
INJECTIONS CAN BE MADE FROM PEN,  
OPEN HAND ATTACHED TO RING AND ETC  
FROM CYANIDE TO LSD MEGADOSES.  
WE ARE READY!

TEN DAYS!

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Date 11/10/86

Title and Character of Case

UNSUBS, AKA  
FREEDOM FIVE  
UNKNOWN VICTIM  
EXTORTION

Date Property Acquired

9/10/86

Source From Which Property Acquired

F.B.I. L.A.

Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit

VAULT SHELF

Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same

EVIDENCE PENDING CONCLUSION OF CASE

To Be Returned

☐ Yes ☐ No

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Agent Assigned Case

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Description of Property or Exhibit

ONE CELLOPHANE ENVELOPE CONTAINING

ORIGINAL LETTER AND ENVELOPE.

\*See 1A<sup>12</sup> Evidence Destroyed 9/88.

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### Remarks

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6/11/86

Title and Character of Case

UNSUB (S), AKA  
THE FREEDOM FIVE  
UNKNOWN VICTIM  
EXTORTION  
OO: NEW YORK

Date Property Acquired

6/6/86

Source From Which Property Acquired

VILLAGE VOICE NEWSPAPER

Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit

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Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same

EVIDENCE PENDING CONCLUSION OF CASE

To Be Returned

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Agent Submitting Property or Exhibit

Agent Assigned Case

☐ Yes ☐ No

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☐ Yes ☐ No Grand Jury Material - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.

Description of Property or Exhibit

ONE CELLOPHANE ENVELOPE CONTAINING:

1. ONE ORIGINAL TRANSMITTLE ENVELOPE
2. ONE ORIGINAL HAND PRINTED NOTE
3. THREE PAGE ORIGINAL PHOTOCOPY OF A HAND PRINTED LETTER FROM THE FREEDOM FIVE WITH A SYRENCE AND NEEDLE TAPED TO THE CENTER OF PAGE ONE.

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Title and Character of Case

UNSUB(S); THE FREEDOM FIVE;  
UNKNOWN VICTIMS;  
EXTORTION  
OO: NEW YORK

Date Property Acquired

6/2/86

Source From Which Property Acquired

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Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit

VAULT SHELF

Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same

EVIDENCE PENDING CONCLUSION OF CASE

To Be Returned

See Serial

Agent Submitting Property or Exhibit

Agent Assigned Case

☐ Yes ☒ No

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☐ Yes ☒ No Grand Jury Material - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.

Description of Property or Exhibit

ONE RED ROPE FOLDER CONTAINING:

1. BRN BUSINESS ENVELOPE ADDRESSED AMSTERDAM NEWS, 2340 FREDERICK DOUGLAS BLVD, NY NY
2. A LETTER & SMALL PIECE OF PAPER LETTER STARTS: \* FAILURE TO DO SO..."  
PIECE OF PAPER STARTS... "CUT FOR ULTIMATE"..."
3. A SMALL PIECE OF A SYRINGE WITH NEEDLE

\*See 1A<sup>10</sup> Evidence Destroyed 9/88

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Date

6/2/86

Title and Character of Case

UNSUB (S) AKA THE FREEDOM FIVE; UNKNOWN VICTIM  
EXTORTION  
OO: NEW YORK

Date Property Acquired

5/27/86

Source From Which Property Acquired

ABC NEWS SECURITY

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Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit

VAULT SHELF

Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same

EVIDENCE PENDING CONCLUSION OF CASE

To Be Returned

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Agent Submitting Property or Exhibit

Agent Assigned Case

☐ Yes ☒ No

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☐ Yes ☒ No Grand Jury Material - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.

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ONE RED ROPE FOLDER CONTAINING:

SMALL PART OF HYPERDERMIC NEEDLE W/NEEDLE

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				published by Newsweek 5/32/80
1A4	6/9/80		x	1 copy in letter from CIA to Newsweek
				published by Newsweek 5/32/80
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Threatening Letter to G. H. Noble, ABC  
News, 7 Lincoln Square, NY, NY  
5/27/86

Reference:

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C. to the

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CUT FOR ULTIMATE CONCEALMENT,  
INJECTIONS CAN BE MADE FROM  
PEN, OPEN HAND ATTACHED TO RING  
AND ETC. FROM CYANIDE TO LSD  
MEGADOSES, WE ARE READY!

TEN DAYS!

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Amsterdam News

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Unsub; The Freida Fin

Unknown Subjects

Citation

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Amsterdam News, date 5/31/86

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# NEW YORK Amsterdam News

Vol. 77, No. 22 Saturday, May 31, 1986

The new Black view

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## Threaten poison food over U.S.-S. Africa ties

### Editorial

While corruption investigation continues

### Koch must resign

By WILBERT A. JATUNE

Chairman of the Board and Editor-in-Chief

Two of the most improbable participants in the Miami-based American mega-spectacular were Ed Koch and Ronald Reagan. Both men, who refuse to acknowledge their personhood, have been given their policies on a city and national level. Poverty, hunger, and homelessness were not around when they took office, they would have been reduced to a scientific computer model and made to look like soap. They would have told us how good these new things are for us and how we would make America and New York City great by using it. It that we produce more people in these categories.

What awful suckers we are to have held hands with Reagan and Koch on such an important day... even before single piece of legislation is passed and signed or an executive order issued by either level of government that will appreciably help any of these ill in a city so rich that it can afford to allow organized crime and corrupt city officials and politicians to steal 10 percent of a twenty billion dollar budget while the Pentagon wastes and allows corporate welfare cheats such as the nation's industrial giants to rip off 10 percent of the nation's trillion dollar budget. These things seem to be enough money, and to allow a break for the rich on a subsidy for an industry that doesn't need it, or a state that can't spend it... but never enough money around to feed the hungry, house the homeless, cure the sick and eliminate the scourge of poverty in the most obscenely rich nation in recorded history.

The miserliness and absence of generosity even at a time when we cost us dearly as a nation, and certainly as a city.

About this holding hands across America... the ten-year-old Black child living in a welfare home... he had to go...

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## Syringe in letter sent to AmNews

By J. ZAMGBA BROWNE  
Amsterdam News Staff

An anonymous group which identified itself as "The Freedom Five" wrote to the Amsterdam News on Tuesday and vowed to poison practically every food product in the country if the Reagan Administration does not break economic ties with racist South Africa.

The letter postmarked May 24 was mailed from the general post office located in Manhattan on Eighth Avenue between 32nd and 33rd Streets. It arrived in a legal size, brown envelope and there was no return address.

The group also enclosed in its three-page letter of warning a sample of a hypodermic needle which it says it will use to carry out the threat against millions of American consumers. The FBI said it has never heard of "The Freedom Five."

Among the food products that have been targeted by the group include, bananas, apples, oranges, grapes, mangoes, ice cream, pies, cakes, milk, meats, bread, beverages, peanut butter, jelly and several other items.

"We have done our tests and rehearsals to a perfection," the letter sent to the Amsterdam News declared. It also described step-by-step how the poison will be administered.

"We are ready and standing pat. The

cards are on the table and will be dealt out if necessary as sure as day follows night. We took a vote and it was a majority (4-1)," the letter noted. The letter also stated, "Plans for 1, 2, and 3 must be announced on the air within 10 days."

It is quite obvious, according to the anonymous letter, that the "racist Reagan Administration does not give a damn about Black men, women and children in South Africa who are being dehumanized."

**Freedom Five vows to  
poison practically every food  
product in the country.**

Among demands made by the group include the immediate release in South Africa of all political prisoners and that food, clothing and medical supplies be sent by the Reagan Administration in support of a nationwide strike in that country.

"We are not extortionists or criminals and make no foolish, false and ignorant innuendos as such. We have taken a blood oath to end this slavery and the murder of Blacks in South Africa by whites," the letter said.

At press time the management of the Amsterdam News was in the process of turning the letter over to the FBI to be analyzed.

## Death prompts \$50M suit

Death of Beverly Stevens. In addition, her husband, Albert Stevens, 46, is

The sister told reporters Stevens broke out in cold sweat "all over" her

"She said, 'I'm going to die. I can't walk.'" Levy quoted her sister as say-

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+ Letter Editor Village Voice  
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write her name  
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From [Redacted]

(NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR)  
NOA - [Redacted]

(ADDRESS OF CONTRIBUTOR)  
LA

By [Redacted] b6 b7C

To Be Returned ☐ Yes Receipt Given ☐ Yes

☒ No ☒ No

☐ Yes Grand Jury Material-  
 Disseminate Only  
☒ No Pursuant to Rules  
 6(e), Federal Rules  
 of Criminal Procedure

Description:

Original notes re

[Redacted]

N 4, 9, 9505-117

"AUTOMATES RECORD"

6/23/86

[redacted]

See  
UCLA Undergraduate Student Body Pres. [redacted]  
Room [redacted] [redacted]

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[redacted]

[redacted]

Chief of Staff  
called UCLA PD -

5/30/86 advised that [redacted] checked  
mail for the Pres. [redacted]  
[redacted] in w/ rest of mail  
[redacted] opened the mail  
and envelope in question

generally stamped mail - did  
not in this case.

threw in trash after seeing  
the hypo needle however became  
curious and pulled and read letter  
I called the UCLA PD -

put letter back in envelope  
and advised [redacted] who  
read letter anonymous present  
when I informed [redacted] who  
had letter when I left for  
lunch.

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[REDACTED]

in the process  
of securing

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(City and State)

By

(Name of Special Agent)

To Be Returned ☐ Yes ☐ No Receipt Given ☐ Yes ☐ No

Grand Jury Material - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure ☐ Yes ☐ No

UNSUB(S) AKA the Freedom Five, Unknown  
Victim  
Extortion  
OO: NEW YORK

Reference:

See 1B1

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Description: ☐ Original notes re interview of

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## CHANGING CUSTOMODY

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Date \_\_\_\_\_

Title and Character of Case \_\_\_\_\_

Date Property Acquired \_\_\_\_\_

Source From Which Property Acquired \_\_\_\_\_

Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit \_\_\_\_\_

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Agent Submitting Property or Exhibit

Agent Assigned Case

☐ Yes ☐ No

☐ Yes ☐ No Grand Jury Material - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.

Description of Property or Exhibit \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature of Two  
Special Agents  
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Bag Contents

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## CHARACTER CUSTODY

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### Remarks

Date **6/2/86**

Title and Character of Case

UNSUB (S) AKA THE FREEDOM FIVE; UNKNOWN VICTIM  
EXTORTION  
OO: NEW YORK

Date Property Acquired <b>5/27/86</b>	Source From Which Property Acquired <div style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 100px; height: 1.2em; vertical-align: middle;"></div> <b>ABC NEWS SECURITY</b>	b6 b7C
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Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit <b>VAULT SHELF</b>	Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same <b>EVIDENCE PENDING CONCLUSION OF CASE</b>
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To Be Returned <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	See Serial	Agent Submitting Property or Exhibit <b>SA</b> <div style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 100px; height: 1.2em; vertical-align: middle;"></div>	Agent Assigned Case <b>SA</b> <div style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 100px; height: 1.2em; vertical-align: middle;"></div> <b>JTF-1</b>	b6 b7C
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Grand Jury Material - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.				

Description of Property or Exhibit

ONE RED ROPE FOLDER CONTAINING:

~~SMALL PART OF HYPODERMIC NEEDLE W/ NEEDLE~~

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From

Billy Eshelata  
(Name of Contributor)

(Address of Contributor)

(City and State)

By

(Name of Special Agent)

To Be Returned ☐ Yes ☐ No Receipt Given ☐ Yes ☒ No

Grand Jury Material - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure ☐ Yes ☒ No

Title:

UNSUB(S); THE FREEDOM FIVE;  
UNKNOWN VICTIMS;  
EXTORTION  
OO: NEW YORK

Reference:

cc 1B2  
(Communication Enclosing Material)

Description: ☐ Original notes re interview of

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6/5/86

Title and Character of Case

UNSUB(S); THE FREEDOM FIVE;  
UNKNOWN VICTIMS;  
EXTORTION  
OO: NEW YORK

Date Property Acquired

6/2/86

Source From Which Property Acquired

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Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit

VAULT SHELF

Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same

EVIDENCE PENDING CONCLUSION OF CASE

To Be Returned

☐ Yes ☒ No

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Agent Submitting Property or Exhibit

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☐ Yes ☒ No Grand Jury Material - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.

Description of Property or Exhibit

ONE RED ROPE FOLDER CONTAINING:

~~1. FBI BUSINESS ENVELOPE ADDRESSED AMSTERDAM NEWS, 2240-FREDERICK DOUGLAS BLVD, NY NY~~

2. A LETTER & SMALL PIECE OF PAPER LETTER STARTS: & FAILURE TO DO SO..."  
PIECE OF PAPER STARTS... "CUT FOR ULTIMATE"..."

3. A SMALL PIECE OF A SYRINGE WITH NEEDLE

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### Remarks

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Title and Character of Case

Unsub(s); The Freedom Five;  
Unknown Victim,  
Extortion  
OO: NY

Date Property Acquired

6/2/86

Source From Which Property Acquired

Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit

Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same

EVIDENCE

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Agent Submitting Property or Exhibit

Agent Assigned Case

☐ Yes ☒ No

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☐ Yes ☒ No Grand Jury Material - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.

Description of Property or Exhibit

① BRN Business envelope addressed

② a letter + small piece of paper

Letter starts: \* FAILURE TO DO SO ...

Piece of paper starts: "Cut For ULTIMATE" ...

③ a small piece of a syringe with needle

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To Be Returned ☐ Yes ☐ No

Receipt Given ☐ Yes ☒ No

Grand Jury Material - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure ☐ Yes ☐ No

Title:

UNSUB(S), AKA  
THE FREEDOM FIVE  
UNKNOWN VICTIM  
Extortion  
OO: NEW YORK

Reference:

See 1B3

(Communication Enclosing Material)

Description: ☐ Original notes re interview of

Package copy per 1B3. Evidence  
destroyed 9/88.

Date

6/11/86

Title and Character of Case

UNSUB (S), AKA  
THE FREEDOM FIVE  
UNKNOWN VICTIM  
EXTORTION  
OO: NEW YORK

Date Property Acquired

6/6/86

Source From Which Property Acquired

VILLAGE VOICE NEWSPAPER

Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit

VAULT SHELF

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Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same

EVIDENCE PENDING CONCLUSION OF CASE

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To Be Returned

☐ Yes ☐ No

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Agent Submitting Property or Exhibit

Agent Assigned Case

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☐ Yes ☐ No Grand Jury Material - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.

Description of Property or Exhibit

ONE CELLOPHANE ENVELOPE CONTAINING:

1. ONE ORIGINAL TRANSMITTELE ENVELOPE
2. ONE ORIGINAL HAND PRINTED NOTE
3. THREE PAGE ORIGINAL PHOTOCOPY OF A HAND PRINTED LETTER FROM THE FREEDOM FIVE WITH A SYRENCE AND NEEDLE TAPED TO THE CENTER OF PAGE ONE.

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Signature	[Redacted]	9/9/86	11:00 A			
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To Be Returned ☐ Yes ☐ No Receipt Given ☐ Yes ☐ No

Grand Jury Material - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure ☐ Yes ☐ No

Title:

UNSUBS, AKA

Freedom Five

UNKNOWN Victim

Extortion

Reference:

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Description: ☐ Original notes re interview of

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Title and Character of Case

UNSUBS, AKA  
FREEDOM FIVE  
UNKNOWN VICTIM  
EXTORTION

Date Property Acquired	Source From Which Property Acquired		
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Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit		Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same	
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<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Grand Jury Material - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.			

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Description of Property or Exhibit

ONE CELLOPHANE ENVELOPE CONTAINING

~~ORIGINAL LETTER AND ENVELOPE.~~

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Special Agents  
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IN 16 (#858)

TO: HQ @ EMH1, NY @ EMH1

FROM: WFO @ EMH1

SUBJECT: 148 046 PRIORITY

DATE: 29 MAY 86 01:56:03 GMT

CC:

TEXT: VZCZCWF0046

PP HQ NY

DE WF 0046 1480156

ZNR UUUUU

P 290643Z MAY 86

FM SAC, WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE (9A-NEW)(C-4)(P)

TO DIRECTOR, FBI PRIORITY

ATTN: PERSONAL CRIMES UNIT

FBI, NEW YORK PRIORITY

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UNSUB (S), AKA THE FREEDOM FIVE (ANTI-SLAVERY); UNKNOWN VICTIMS;

EXTORTION; OO: NEW YORK

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE BUREAU AND NEW YORK, ON 5/28/86,

AT APPROXIMATELY 3:00 P.M., [REDACTED] ASSISTANT

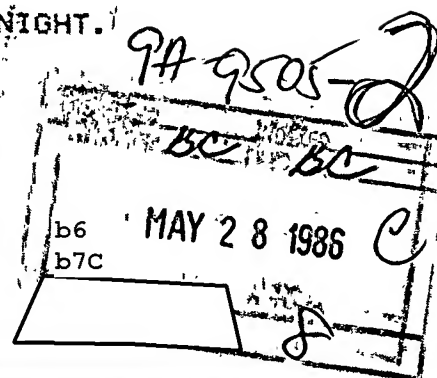
TO SENATOR EDWARD M. KENNEDY, RUSSELL BUILDING, [REDACTED] WASHINGTON,

D.C. (WDC), TELEPHONE [REDACTED] TELEPHONICALLY APPRISED WFO

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OF THE RECEIPT OF A LETTER, THAT SAME DATE, WHICH READ:

"WE ARE READY AND STANDING PAT. THE CARDS ARE ON THE TABLE  
AND WILL BE DEALT OUT IF NECESSARY AS SURE AS DAY FOLLOWS NIGHT."



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WE TOOK A VOTE AND IT WAS ON A MAJORITY (4-1) THAT WE APPROACH AND PROPOSE, FIRST, BEFORE ANY MAJOR DEATH BLOWS AND CRITICAL FINANCIAL CATASTROPHIES ARE EXECUTED.

IT IS VERY OBVIOUS TO ALL THAT THE RACIST REAGAN ADMINISTRATION DOES NOT GIVE A DAMN ABOUT THE BLACK MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN IN SOUTH AFRICA WHO ARE UNDER GENECIDE, SLAVERY AND ARE BEING MURDERED, MAIMED, AND JAILED FOR WANTING TO BE FREE AND EQUAL IN THEIR OWN NATURAL PLACE OF BIRTH.

THEREFORE, THIS FIGHT WE ARE GOING TO TAKE, ALL THE WAY TO THE END, WILL BE FOR THE FREEDOM AND EQUALITY THESE MILLIONS OF ENSLAVED PEOPLE RIGHTLY DESERVE IN THEIR OWN NATURAL PLACE OF BIRTH.

1. THE RACIST REAGAN ADMINISTRATION MUST \* CUT OFF ALL ECONOMIC TIES AND TRADES WITH THE RACIST SOUTH AFRICAN GENECIDE APARTHEID REGIME BY JUNE, 1986.

2. ALL POLITICAL PRISONERS JAILED FOR THEIR STRUGGLE TO BE FREE AND EQUAL IN THEIR OWN NATURAL PLACE OF BIRTH MUST \* BE RELEASED BY JUNE, 1986.

3. FOOD, MEDICAL NEEDS, AND CLOTHING MUST \* BE GIVEN TO THE ENSLAVED PEOPLE OF SOUTH AFRICA TO SUPPORT A NATIONWIDE STRIKE

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AND BOYCOTT UNTIL THE RACIST GENECIDE APARTHEID SYSTEM IS  
DISMANTLED AND FULL CITIZENSHIP AND EQUAL RIGHTS ARE GIVEN TO  
ALL.

WE ARE NOT EXTORTIONISTS OR CRIMINALS, AND MAKE NO FOOLISH,  
FALSE, IGNORANT INNUENDOS AS SUCH. \*(WARNING)\* WE HAVE TAKEN  
A BLOOD OATH TO END THIS SLAVERY AND THESE MURDERS<

(SIGNED) THE FREEDOM FIVE (ANTI-SLAVERY)

\* FAILURE TO DO SO (INJECTIONS WILL COMMENCE NATIONWIDE)  
ALL FRUITS-BANANAS, APPLES, ORANGES, GRAPES, MANGOS, ETC.  
ALL ICE CREAM-ALL PIES AND CAKES  
ALL FOOD CARTONS-MILK, SUGAR, ETC.

ALL MEATS-ALL BREADS-ALL DRINKS

ALL JARS-MAYONNAISE, PICKLES, ETC., PEANUT BUTTER, JELLY

WE HAVE DONE OUR TESTS AND REHEARSALS TO PERFECTION<

EXAMPLE-WRAPPER TAKEN OFF, TINY HOLE VERY SLOWLY MADE IN  
A TUNA CAN, TINY HOLE ELABORATELY SEALED BACK UP-UNDETECTABLE-  
WRAPPER GLUED BACK ON AND READY FOR SELF-INJECTION MADE.

\*PLANS FOR:

1. 2. AND 3. MUST \* BE ANNOUNCED ON THE AIR WITHIN 10  
DAYS<<\*

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THE LETTER WAS ADDRESSED TO SENATOR TED KENNEDY (D-MASS), WASHINGTON, D.C., AND HAD A RETURN ADDRESS OF COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY, NEW YORK, NEW YORK. THE LETTER WAS POSTMARKED NEW YORK, MAY 26, 1986.

WFO INDICES NEGATIVE FOR FREEDOM FIVE.

THE LETTER WAS INITIALED, DATED AND SEALED FOR TRANSMITTAL TO THE FBI LABORATORY FOR APPROPRIATE ANALYSIS.

THE TIP OF A NEEDLE, USED FOR MEDICAL INJECTIONS, WAS TAPED TO THE FIRST PAGE.

DETECTIVE [REDACTED] UNITED STATES CAPITOL POLICE (USCP), CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION UNIT (CIU), [REDACTED] WDC, TELEPHONE [REDACTED] WAS APPRISED OF THE NATURE AND CONTENT OF THE THREAT AND THE FACT THAT NO DIRECT OR INDIRECT THREATS WERE MADE TO SENATOR KENNEDY.

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SA [REDACTED] UNITED STATES SECRET SERVICE (USSS), PROTECTIVE INTELLIGENCE SQUAD, WAS LIKEWISE APPRISED OF THE NATURE AND CONTENT OF THE THREAT AND PSEUDONYM OF THE SUSPECTS AND [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT USSS HAD NO RECORD OF THE "FREEDOM FIVE".

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THE LETTER ALSO CONTAINED THE FOLLOWING SMALL NOTE:

"CUT FOR ULTIMATE CONCEALMENT. INJECTIONS CAN BE MADE  
FROM PEN, OPEN HAND ATTACHED TO RING THEN ETC. FROM CYANIDE TO  
LSD MEGADOSES. WE ARE READY<

10 DAYS<"

LEADS:

NEW YORK AT NEW YORK, NY: CONDUCT LOGICAL EXTORTION  
INVESTIGATION.

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-----END OF DOCUMENT-----

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5/30/86

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PRIORITY  
NEW YORK (9A-9505) (P) (JTF-1)  
PRIORITY  
DIRECTOR FBI ( ) ( )  
ATTN: PERSONAL CRIMES UNIT  
WASHINGTON FIELD ( ) (C-4)  
BT  
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UNSUB (S), AKA; THE FREEDOM FIVE-UNKNOWN VICTIMS; EXTORTION; OO:  
NEW YORK

RENFOTEL TO THE BUREAU AND NEW YORK, DATED MAY 29, 1986.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE BUREAU AND WFO ON MAY 27, 1986,  
NEWSCASTER GILBERT KNOBLE ABC NEWS, HOST OF ABC NEWS SHOW "LIKE IT

1 - New York  
1 - Supervisor JTF-1  
SMC:lmg015V4  
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Approved: [Signature]Transmitted 150 1389A-9505-3

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IS" RECEIVED THE IDENTICAL LETTER THAT WAS SET FORTH IN REFERENCED TELETYPE. ALTHOUGH NO SPECIFIC VICTIMS WERE SET FORTH A DEADLINE OF 10 DAYS WAS SET FOR THE CONTENTS OF THE LETTER TO BE ANNOUNCED "ON THE AIR." UPON INTERVIEW OF NOBLE ON MAY 27, AND MAY 29, 1986, IT WAS DETERMINED HE HAD NOT RECEIVED ANY PREVIOUS LETTER OR THREATS SIMILAR TO THIS ONE NOR WAS HE AWARE OF ANY SUSPECTS IN THIS MATTER. NOBLE ADVISED THAT HIS SUPERIORS FELT THAT IN ALL PROBABILITY NO MENTION OF THIS LETTER WOULD BE MADE ON THE AIR. THE PROGRAM "LIKE IT IS" IS AIRED ON SUNDAYS AT 1:00 P.M., AND DEALS IN GENERAL WITH THE "BLACK EXPERIENCE." ACCORDING TO NOBLE THE LAST PROGRAM DEALING WITH THE SOUTH AFRICAN ISSUE WAS TELECAST ON FEBRUARY 9, 1986.

DURING THE INTERVIEW OF NOBLE HE ADVISED THAT THE NEWSPAPER "NEW YORK AMSTERDAM NEWS", DATED SATURDAY MAY 31, 1986, CARRIED THE STORY WHICH INDICATED THAT IT RECEIVED A SIMILAR LETTER CONTAINING A "SYRINGE" AND MAKING THE SAME THREATS THIS NEWSPAPER IS PUBLISHED WEEKLY AND ALTHOUGH THE DATE IS MAY 31, 1986, IT WAS AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC ON MAY 29, 1986. ON MAY 29, 1986, [REDACTED] VICE PRESIDENT AMSTERDAM NEWS TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED THAT HIS NEWSPAPER RECEIVED A LETTER SIMILAR TO THE ONE SET FORTH ABOVE AND SUBSEQUENTLY HE SECURED HIS CONTENTS INCLUDING THE SYRINGE FOR THE

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FBI. [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT STAFF WRITER [REDACTED] WROTE A STORY REGARDING THIS LETTER WHICH WAS PUBLISHED IN THE MAY 31, 1986, ISSUE.

BY SEPARATE COMMUNICATION NEW YORK WILL SUBMITT BOTH LETTERS AND CONTENTS TO FBI LAB FOR ANALYSIS AND COMPARISON.

LEAD

NEW YORK, AT NEW YORK, WILL CONTACT PERSONNEL AT AMSTERDAM NEWS AND CONDUCT LOGICAL INVESTIGATION THEREIN.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

OUT 07.7 (#1123)

TO: @ EMH1, WF @ EMH1

FROM: NY @ EMH1

SUBJECT: 150/138 PRIORITY

DATE: 30 MAY 86 21:44:54 GMT

CC:

TEXT: VZCZCNY0138

PP HQ WFO

DE NY #0138 1502106

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R 301923Z MAY 86

FM FBI NEW YORK (9A-9505) (P) (JTF-1)

TO DIRECTOR FBI PRIORITY

ATTN: PERSONAL CRIMES UNIT

FBI WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE ( ) C-4) PRIORITY

BT

UNCLAS

UNSUB(S), AKA; THE FREEDOM FIVE-UNKNOWN VICTIMS; EXTORTION; OO: NEW YORK

REWFOTEL TO THE BUREAU AND NEW YORK, DATED MAY 29, 1986.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE BUREAU AND WFO ON MAY 27, 1986,  
NEWSCASTER GILBERT KNOBLE ABC NEWS, HOST OF ABC NEWS SHOW "LIKE IT

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IS RECEIVED THE IDENTICAL LETTER THAT WAS SET FORTH IN REFERENCED TELETYPE. ALTHOUGH NO SPECIFIC VICTIMS WERE SET FORTH A DEADLINE OF 10 DAYS WAS SET FOR THE CONTENTS OF THE LETTER TO BE ANNOUNCED "ON THE AIR." UPON INTERVIEW OF NOBLE ON MAY 27, AND MAY 29, 1986, IT WAS DETERMINED HE HAD NOT RECEIVED ANY PREVIOUS LETTER OR THREATS SIMILAR TO THIS ONE NOR WAS HE AWARE OF ANY SUSPECTS IN THIS MATTER. NOBLE ADVISED THAT HIS SUPERIORS FELT THAT IN ALL PROBABILITY NO MENTION OF THIS LETTER WOULD BE MADE ON THE AIR. THE PROGRAM "LIKE IT IS" IS AIRED ON SUNDAYS AT 1:00 P.M., AND DEALS IN GENERAL WITH THE "BLACK EXPERIENCE." ACCORDING TO NOBLE THE LAST PROGRAM DEALING WITH THE SOUTH AFRICAN ISSUE WAS TELECAST ON FEBRUARY 9, 1986.

DURING THE INTERVIEW OF NOBLE HE ADVISED THAT THE NEWSPAPER "NEW YORK AMSTERDAM NEWS", DATED SATURDAY MAY 31, 1986, CARRIED THE STORY WHICH INDICATED THAT IT RECEIVED A SIMILAR LETTER CONTAINING A "SYRINGE" AND MAKING THE SAME THREATS THIS NEWSPAPER IS PUBLISHED WEEKLY AND ALTHOUGH THE DATE IS MAY 31, 1986, IT WAS AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC ON MAY 29, 1986. ON MAY 29, 1986, [REDACTED] VICE PRESIDENT AMSTERDAM NEWS TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED THAT HIS NEWSPAPER RECEIVED A LETTER SIMILAR TO THE ONE SET FORTH ABOVE AND

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SUBSEQUENTLY HE SECURED HIS CONTENTS INCLUDING THE SYRINGE FOR THE  
FBI. [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT STAFF WRITER [REDACTED] WROTE A  
STORY REGARDING THIS LETTER WHICH WAS PUBLISHED IN THE MAY 31, 1986,  
ISSUE.

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BY SEPARATE COMMUNICATION NEW YORK WILL SUBMITT BOTH LETTERS  
AND CONTENTS TO FBI LAB FOR ANALYSIS AND COMPARISON.

LEAD

NEW YORK, AT NEW YORK, WILL CONTACT PERSONNEL AT AMSTERDAM NEWS  
AND CONDUCT LOGICAL INVESTIGATION THEREIN.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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## PRECEDENCE:

☐ Immediate  
☐ Priority  
☐ Routine

## CLASSIFICATION:

☐ TOP SECRET  
☐ SECRET  
☐ CONFIDENTIAL  
☐ UNCLAS E F T O  
☐ UNCLAS

Date 5/30/86

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
 (ATTN: FBI LABORATORY AND  
 PERSONAL CRIMES UNIT)

FROM: ADIC, NEW YORK (9A-9505) (P) (JTF-1)

SUBJECT: UNSUB(S), aka  
 The Freedom Five;  
 UNKNOWN VICTIM  
 EXTORTION  
 (OO: NY)

Enclosed for the Bureau (FBI Laboratory) is the original and one copy of a letter received at ABC News on 5/27/86, as well as a broken piece of a hyperdermic needle received with this letter.

Also enclosed for the Bureau (Personal Crimes Unit) is one (1) copy of instant letter.

For the information of the Bureau, on 5/27/86, ABC News Security Supervisor [redacted] New York, New York, advised a letter, postmarked New York, New York and addressed to "LIKE IT IS" (an ABC News show), 7 Lincoln Square, New York, New York, was received by Newscaster GIL NOBLE. This letter was signed "The Freedom Five" and made several demands on the United States Government and the REAGAN Administration to free prisoners in South Africa as well as to cut off aid to the South African Government.

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The letter further stated that plans to meet these demands must be made "On the air!" within ten days. Failure to do this would result in "injection" into numerous consumer food products.

Also received as part of this letter was a small piece of a hyperdermic needle.

REQUEST OF THE BUREAU

The FBI Laboratory is requested to examine the enclosed letter and needle for any latent fingerprints of value.

The FBI Laboratory is also requested to make appropriate comparisons with the Anonymous Letter File.

The FBI Laboratory is further requested to examine the needle for any chemical traces and other identifying data.

Upon completion of the above examinations, the enclosed items, as well as the completed report, should be returned to the attention of SA [redacted], New York Division.

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Investigation is continuing at New York.

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Date 6/3/86

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
 (ATTN: FBI LABORATORY AND  
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 The Freedom Five;  
 UNKNOWN VICTIM  
 EXTORTION  
 (OO: NY)

ReNYairtel to the Bureau, dated 5/30/86; WFotel to the Bureau and New York, dated 5/29/86 and NYtel to the Bureau and Washington Field, dated 5/30/86.

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Also enclosed for the Bureau (Personal Crimes Unit) is one copy of aforementioned letter and envelope.

For the information of the Bureau, on 6/2/86, [redacted] Editor, "New York Amsterdam News", advised his firm received a letter postmarked New York, New York on 5/27/86. The letter was addressed to Amsterdam News, 2340 Frederick Douglas Boulevard, New York, New York 10027 and was signed by "The Freedom Five". The letter made several

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demands on the United States Government and the REAGAN Administration to free political prisoners in South Africa. This letter is identical in context to the letter received by ABC News, New York, New York, as referred to in referenced New York airtel, dated 5/30/86.

REQUEST OF THE BUREAU

The FBI Laboratory is requested to examine the enclosed letter, envelope and needle for any latent fingerprints of value. Any latents of value should be compared to submissions made previously by Washington Field and New York in this matter.

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BY SAS [redacted] and [redacted] /mpj

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By SAS [redacted] and [redacted] mpj

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[redacted] Supervisor, Special Security Operations, ABC News, [redacted] New York, New York, telephone number [redacted] advised that his company received a letter postmarked May 26, 1986 at New York, New York, that was from a group calling itself THE FREEDOM FIVE. [redacted] provided the original letter, envelope, and its contents which was a small hypodermic needle to Special Agent (SA) [redacted]. This letter basically was addressed to a news program, LIKE IT IS, 7 Lincoln Square, New York, New York: Attention: GIL NOBLE. The letter was demanding certain actions be taken by the United States Government on behalf of the South Africans. If these actions were not taken in 10 days the group threatens to inject cyanide into different foods accessible to the general public. The FREEDOM FIVE group demanded that an announcement to this effect be made on the air within the next 10 days or else the group would initiate injection of food products. [redacted] advised that the letter was received directly by Mr. NOBLE who thereupon provided it to him so that it could be turned over to the FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION (FBI).

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By SA [redacted] mpj

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## CLASSIFICATION:

☐ TOP SECRET☐ SECRET☐ CONFIDENTIAL☐ UNCLAS E F T O☐ UNCLASDate 6/10/86

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
(ATTN: FBI LABORATORY AND  
PERSONAL CRIMES UNIT)

FROM: ADIC, NEW YORK (9A-9505) (P) (JTF-1)

SUBJECT: UNSUB(S), aka  
The Freedom Five  
UNKNOWN VICTIM  
EXTORTION  
(OO: NY)

ReNYairtels to the Bureau, dated 5/30/86 and  
6/3/86.

Enclosed for the Bureau (FBI Laboratory) is one  
original and one copy of a letter and an envelope addressed  
to the "Village Voice", 842 Broadway, New York, New York,  
and a small syringe with needle.

Also enclosed for the Bureau (Personal Crimes  
Unit) is a copy of the above communication and envelope.

On 6/6/86, [redacted] Associate Editor,  
"Village Voice" newspaper, advised that his firm received  
through the mail on this date a letter signed "The Freedom  
Five". This letter contained a small syringe with needle  
and made demands on the United States Government and The  
REAGAN Administration. The letter is identical in context  
with letters previously submitted in referenced airtels  
from New York.

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(1-Personal Crimes Unit)  
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REQUEST OF THE BUREAU

The FBI Laboratory is requested to process the enclosed items for latent fingerprints of value. Should any be developed, compare these with any prints obtained through previous submissions in this matter.

The FBI Laboratory is also requested to compare the enclosed letter with the Anonymous Letter File.

The FBI Laboratory is further requested to compare any identifiable chemicals found in the syringe with any obtained in previous submissions.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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[redacted] Editor, "New York Amsterdam News", 2340 Frederick Douglas Boulevard, New York (NY), NY, was contacted by the interviewing Agents and advised of the purpose of the interview. [redacted] advised that his company received a letter in the mail on May 27, 1986 addressed to "Amsterdam News", 2340 Frederick Douglas Boulevard, NY, NY, 10027, and postmarked NY, NY, May 24, 1986. This letter was signed "THE FREEDOM FIVE" and indicated that, if certain demands were not met by the REAGAN Administration and the United States (U.S.) Government to release political prisoners in South Africa, a hypodermic needle would be used to inject cyanide into fruits, vegetables, and other consumer products throughout the U.S. The letter also indicates that the receiver has ten (10) days to make this announcement. [redacted] further stated that he reviewed this letter and, in the past, has not received any similar letters or threats such as this going back as far as five (5) years. He further stated that at that time the letters did not have the same threats or connotations. He stated that since the date he received this letter, he did not receive any follow up telephone calls or other letters in this regard. Additionally, [redacted] stated that he had received several telephone calls from subscribers to the newspaper asking for information regarding this letter. He stated that this was as a result of an article published in the "New York Amsterdam News" dated Saturday, May 31, 1986. The article, entitled "Threaten Poison Food Over U.S.-South Africa Ties", was written by [redacted] a Staff Writer for the "Amsterdam News" [redacted] further advised that he had never heard of the group "THE FREEDOM FIVE" and has no idea or suspicion as to who may have sent this letter. In addition to the above, [redacted] provided the writer with the original envelope, letter, and enclosed hypodermic needle which came with the letter to his company. A copy of the envelope and letter is attached to this FD-302.

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In addition to [redacted] Vice-President and Comptroller, "Amsterdam News", as well as [redacted] Reporter, "Amsterdam News" were present at the time of the interview.

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[redacted] Associate Editor and Letter Editor, VILLAGE VOICE, 842 Broadway, at West 13th Street, Floor 2, Manhattan, New York, [redacted] was telephonically interviewed by Special Agent (SA) [redacted] who had previously identified himself to [redacted] as a Special Agent of the FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION (FBI).

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[redacted] advised that when he received the letter from the FREEDOM FIVE on Friday, June 6, 1986, the obliterated [redacted] appeared on the exterior of the transmittal envelope.

[redacted] advised that the VILLAGE VOICE has an employee named [redacted] who has been employed at the VILLAGE VOICE for approximately 15 years. [redacted] is head of the Copy Department. [redacted] has contacted [redacted] who advised [redacted] that she had not seen the envelope and letter from the FREEDOM FIVE.

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[redacted] advised that on incident date he spoke [redacted] who is the supervisor of the VILLAGE VOICE Mail Room. [redacted] advised [redacted] that on Friday, June 6, 1986, she found several pieces of unopened mail in the VILLAGE VOICE Mail Room. [redacted] suspected that this mail had remained unopened for approximately one week. [redacted] advised [redacted] that she had opened the envelope which contained the letter from the FREEDOM FIVE. [redacted] thereafter forwarded this letter and corresponding transmittal envelope to [redacted]

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By SA [redacted] /ras

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6/12/86

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (ATTN: PERSONAL CRIMES UNIT, CID)  
(ATTN: PENNY PICKETT, DOCUMENTS SECTION,  
LABORATORY DIVISION)(ATTN: CHEMISTRY SECTION)

FROM: SAC, WFO (9A-5409)(P)(C-4)

*Unsub, Freedom Five (9A-9505) (P)*

EXTORTION;

OO: NEW YORK

ARMED AND DANGEROUS

Re WFO teletype to Bureau, 5/28/86, and New York  
teletype to Bureau, 5/30/86.

Enclosed for the Bureau is a 3 page handwritten letter,  
from the "Freedom Five (anti-slavery)" addressed to Senator TED  
KENNEDY, Washington, D.C., also containing a small note and  
postmarked May 20, New York, New York. The envelope bears the  
return address of COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY, New York, New York.

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For the information of the Bureau, on 5/28/86, [redacted]  
[redacted] Assistant to Senator EDWARD M. KENNEDY,  
Russell Building, [redacted] Washington, D.C. (WDC), telephone number  
[redacted] telephonically apprised WFO of the receipt of the  
enclosure at Senator KENNEDY's Capitol Hill office, that same  
date. The letter contained no threats against Senator KENNEDY  
whatsoever, however, the letter indicated that unless certain  
policy changes were taken towards South Africa, the letter  
writers would inject food stuffs with poisons or narcotics.

WFO indices is negative for the Freedom Five.

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(4- Documents Section, Laboratory Division)

(2-Personal Crimes Unit, CID)

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Referenced New York teletype indicates that more letters have surfaced in the New York area.

The tip of a syringe is taped to the first page of the letter.

REQUEST OF FBIHQ

DOCUMENTS SECTION:

Compare enclosed letter with anonymous letter file and conduct laboratory examinations for watermarks, indented writings, or any other physical characteristics deemed appropriate. Forward copy to [redacted] for psychological and demographic profiling of author, and to determine validity of threat.

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CHEMISTRY SECTION

Conduct appropriate chemical analysis of syringe and forward to Latent Fingerprint Section upon completion.

LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

Develop any latent prints on letter or syringe for future comparison with known prints. Compare with any developed prints obtained in letters forwarded from New York Division in this same case.

WE ARE READY AND STANDING  
PAT. THE CARDS ARE ON THE  
TABLE AND WILL BE DEALT OUT  
IF NECESSARY AS SURE AS DAY  
FOLLOWS NIGHT. WE TOOK A VOTE  
AND IT WAS ON A MAJORITY  
(4-1) THAT WE APPROACH AND  
PROPOSE, FIRST, BEFORE ANY  
MAJOR DEATH BLOWS AND CRITICAL  
FINANCIAL CATASTROPHES BE  
EXECUTED.

IT IS VERY OBVIOUS TO ALL THAT  
THE RACIST REAGAN ADMINISTRAT-  
ION DOES NOT GIVE A DAMN ABOUT  
THE BLACK MEN, WOMEN AND  
CHILDREN IN SOUTH AFRICA WHO  
ARE UNDER GENOCIDE SLAVERY  
AND ARE BEING MURDERED, MAIMED  
AND JAILED  WANTING TO BE  
FREE AND EQUAL IN THEIR OWN NATURAL  
PLACE OF BIRTH.

THEREFORE THIS FIGHT WE ARE  
GOING TO TAKE, ALL THE WAY TO THE  
END, WILL BE FOR THE FREEDOM AND  
EQUALITY THESE MILLIONS OF EN-  
SLAVED PEOPLE SO RIGHTLY DESERVE  
IN THEIR OWN NATURAL PLACE OF  
BIRTH.

5/28/86

\* FAILURE TO DO SO - INJECTIONS  
WILL COMMENCE NATIONWIDE

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ALL FRUITS - BANANAS, APPLES,  
ORANGES, GRAPES, MANGOS, ETC

ALL ICE CREAM - ALL PIES + CAKES

ALL FOOD CARTONS - MILK, SUGAR, ETC.

ALL MEATS - ALL BREADS - ALL DRINKS

ALL JARS - MAYONNAISE, PICKLES, ETC.  
PEANUT BUTTER, JELLY

WE HAVE DONE OUR TESTS + REHEARSALS  
TO A PERFECTION!

EXAMPLE - WRAPPER TAKEN OFF, TINY  
HOLE VERY SLOWLY MADE IN A TUNA CAN,  
TINY HOLE ELABORATELY SEALED BACK UP -  
UNDETECTABLE, WRAPPER GLUED BACK ON  
AND READY - FOR SHELF, INJECTION  
MADE

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\* PLANS FOR:

1. 2. + 3. MUST \* BE ANNOUNCED ON THE  
AIR WITHIN TEN DAYS! \* WTR  
5/28/86

1. THE RACIST REAGAN ADMINISTRATION MUST\* CUT OFF ALL ECONOMIC TIES AND TRADES WITH THE RACIST SOUTH AFRICAN GENOCIDE APARTHIED REGIME BY JUNE 1986.

2. ALL POLITICAL PRISONERS JAILED FOR THEIR STRUGGLE TO BE FREE AND EQUAL IN THEIR OWN NATURAL PLACE OF BIRTH MUST\* BE RELEASED BY JUNE 1986.

3. FOOD, MEDICAL NEEDS AND CLOTHING MUST\* BE GIVEN TO THE ENSLAVED PEOPLE OF SOUTH AFRICA TO SUPPORT A NATION-WIDE STRIKE AND BOYCOTT UNTIL THE RACIST GENOCIDE APARTHIED SYSTEM IS DISMANTLED AND FULL CITIZENSHIP AND EQUAL RIGHTS ARE GIVEN TO ALL.

WE ARE NOT EXTORTIONIST OR CRIMINALS AND MAKE NO FOOLISH, FALSE IGNORANT INNUENDOS AS SUCH.\* (WARNING)\*

WE HAVE TAKEN A BLOOD OATH TO END THIS SLAVERY AND THESE MURDERS!

WTR  
5/28/86

THE  
FREEDOM FIVE  
(ANTI-SLAVERY)

EVIDENCE  
EVIDENCE  
EVIDENCE

CUT FOR ULTIMATE CONCEALMENT.  
INJECTIONS CAN BE MADE FROM  
PEN, OPEN HAND ATTACHED TO  
RING AND ETC. FROM CYANIDE  
TO LSD MEGADOSES. WE ARE  
READY!

WTR  
5/28/86

TEN DAYS!

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY  
NEW YORK, NY

SENATOR TED KENNEDY  
(D-MASS)

WASHINGTON, D.C.

5/28/86  
WTR

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On June 23, 1986, [redacted] Editor, NEW YORK AMSTERDAM NEWS, 2340 Frederick Douglas Boulevard, New York, New York, was contacted and advised Special Agent (SA) [redacted] that to date his company had not received any further mailings from a group known as "The Freedom Five". He also advised that he was not aware of any other newspaper or media company that received any threats from this group.

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On June 23, 1986, Mr. GIL NOBLE, ABC NEWS, New York, New York, advised that to this date he has not received any further mailings or threats from a group known as "The Freedom Five". He further stated that he was not aware of any other individuals in his company or other news casting companies that received any threatening letters from this group.

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[redacted] UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE, Postal Inspector, Main Branch, New York City, New York, was contacted and apprised of the identity of the interviewing Agent. [redacted] observed several letters that were forwarded to the AMSTERDAM NEWS in New York, New York, ABC NEWS at New York, New York and the VILLAGE VOICE, New York, New York. [redacted] observed the envelopes in which these letters were contained. From these envelopes he observed the post marks all of which were New York, New York post marks. From these post marks he advised he could not determine any specificity regarding the area from which the letter was mailed other than they were from New York City.

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By SA [redacted]/djc

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UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA POLICE-1997  
LOS ANGELES

CASE NO.

86-2803

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70. CODE SECTION	71. CRIME	72. CLASSIFICATION <b>THREATENING LETTER</b>	
73. VICTIM'S NAME - LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE (FIRM IF BUS.) <b>PEOPLE OF THE U.S. (IF ANY)</b>		74. ADDRESS   RESIDENCE   <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUSINESS	75. PHONE
		<b>KERCKHOFF HALL #304, L.A.</b>	

INVESTIGATION REPORT

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DATE/TIME OF REPORT: 5-30-86, 1140 HRS.

DATE/TIME OCCURRED: BTW. 5-29-86 1700HRS. & 5-30-86 1100HRS.

LOCATION: KERCKHOFF HALL #304, UCLA CAMPUS.

SUSPECT INFORMATION: "THE FREEDOM FIVE" (ANTI-SLAVERY)

ON THE ABOVE DATE AND TIME, I SPOKE WITH [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]; UNDERGRADUATE PRESIDENT AND CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE STUDENT BODY COUNCIL, UCLA. [REDACTED] STATED THAT AT APPROX. 1100 HRS. ON THIS DATE, SHE WAS CHECKING HER MAIL BOX LOCATED IN KERCKHOFF HALL AND SHE FOUND A BROWN #10 SEALED ENVELOPE, ADDRESSED TO "UCLA, LOS ANGELES, CALIF, ATTN: STUDENT BODY COUNCIL". THE LETTER WAS POSTMARKED FROM NEW YORK, MAY 25, 1986. [REDACTED] INDICATES THAT THE CONTENTS WAS A THREE(3) PAGE PROTEST LETTER FOR ENSLAVED SOUTH AFRICANS AND A NATIONWIDE THREAT TO ADULTERATE/TAMPER WITH NAMED FOODS AND ALL DRINKS. A BROKEN SYRINGE WAS FOUND TAPED TO ONE OF THE PAGES OF THE LETTER.

ALL OF THE ABOVE IS BOCKED FOR NON-EVIDENCE, UCLA P.D. SEE PROP. RPT.

REPORTING OFFICER		RECORDING OFFICER		TYPED BY	DATE AND TIME	ROUTED BY
[REDACTED]		[REDACTED]		[REDACTED]	6-3-86 0920	aa
FURTHER ACTION	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	COPIES TO	<input type="checkbox"/> DETECTIVE <input type="checkbox"/> JUVENILE <input type="checkbox"/> DIST. ATTY. <input type="checkbox"/> SO./PD.	<input type="checkbox"/> CII <input type="checkbox"/> PATROL <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER		
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## PROPERTY REPORT

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RESIDENCE ADDRESS

PERSON PROPERTY BOOKED TO (Last-First-Middle)

RES. PHONE

BUS PHONE

RESIDENCE ADDRESS

ARRESTEE'S NAME

CHARGE

BKG. NO.

RESIDENCE ADDRESS

OWNER'S NAME

RES. PHONE

BUS. PHONE

RESIDENCE ADDRESS

PERSON REPORTING TO POLICE DEPT. (Last, First, Middle)

RES. PHONE

BUS. PHONE

DATE &amp; TIME THIS REPORT

PROP. BKO AT

DATE BKO

DATE &amp; TIME PROPERTY TAKEN INTO POLICE CUSTODY - LOCATION - CITY OR REPORTING DIST.

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IS THIS STOLEN PROPERTY?

TYPE OF PREMISES

TYPE OF PROPERTY

DIV. RPTG.

UCLAP.D. DETS.

YES

NO

UNKNOWN

OFFICE OF THE UCLAP.D. STUDENT BODY COUNCIL

THREATENING LETTER

PATROL

PROBABLE CRIME

Prints - Photo - S.D. - Other

DIV. OR CITY &amp; DATE WHEN OCCURRED

LIST ANY CONNECTING REPORTS BY TYPE &amp; DR.

NONE

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UCLA BTH 5-29 1700 5-30-86 1100

INVEST. RPT.

PROPERTY ON THIS REPORT SEIZED PURSUANT TO SEARCH WARRANT:

ALL ITEMS

ON THIS

ONLY ITEM NOS. 1

SEARCH WARRANT NO.

DATE

ISSUED BY JUDGE

COURT NO.

REPORT.

Separate reports are required for each classification of property: Evidence: Book to Arrestee. If none, Book to Victim. If neither, Book to Dept. Employee (Book as Evidence if connected to Crime, Possible Crime, or Arrest.) Non-Evidence: Book to Finder, Depositor, Owner or Person in lawful possession.

(1) IF STOLEN IN CITY OF LOS ANGELES EACH CASE MUST BE COVERED BY CRIME AND FOLLOW-UP REPORTS. (2) DESCRIBE CIRCUMSTANCES RESULTING IN BOOKING OF THIS PROPERTY. (3) GIVE ADDRESS, TIME AND/OR PHONE NUMBER WHERE CONCERNED PERSON(S) MAY BE CONTACTED BY DAY INVESTIGATORS IF NOT LISTED, OR OTHER THAN ABOVE. (4) ITEMIZE AND DESCRIBE ALL PROPERTY OMITTING DOLLAR VALUE. (5) LIST TOTAL VALUE OF U.S. CURRENCY BOOKED.

ITEM NO.	QUAN.	ARTICLE	SERIAL NO.	BRAND	MODEL NO.	MISC. DESCRIPTION (E.G. COLOR, SIZE, INSCRIPTIONS, CALIBER, REVOLVER, ETC.)	U.S. CURRENCY BOOKED
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THE BELOW DESCRIBED LETTER IS BOOKED INTO NON-EVIDENCE (NO CRIME) AT THE UCLA P.D. PROPERTY RM. FOR POSSIBLE DETECTIVE FOLLOW-UP CONTACT. SEE INVEST. REPORT, SAME CR#.

1. 1 THREE (3) Pg. LETTER; WRITTEN ON WHI 8 1/2" x 11" HEAVY WEIGHT PAPER (POSSIBLY PHOTO COPIES). CONTENTS INDICATES THREAT TO PEOPLE OF U.S. FOR POLITICAL REASONS, IF DEMANDS ARN'T MET. SEE ATTACHED LETTER. ONE OF THE PAGES HAS A BROKEN SYRINGE TAPED TO SAME.

2. 1 ENVELOPE; BROWN #10, ADDRESSED TO "UCLA LOS ANGELES CALIF. 90024, ATTN: STUDENT BODY COUNCIL". ENVELOPE IS POSTMARKED FROM NEW YORK, MAY 25, 1986 WITH A .22¢ STAMP ATTACHED.

cc: PROP. OFFICER

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SUPERVISOR APPROVING

SERIAL NO.

REPORTING EMPLOYEE(S) - SER. NO. - DIV. - DET.

PERSON

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Date of transcription 6/16/86

Detective [ ] University of California Los Angeles (UCLA) Police Department, Los Angeles, California, telephone [ ] provided Special Agent (SA) [ ] the following:

1. A brown envelope approximately 4½ by 10½ addressed to "UCLA, Los Angeles, California 90024, Attention: Student Body Council". The envelope is postmarked New York, New York, May 25, 1986 with a 22¢ stamp.
2. Contained in the envelope is a three page letter each page measuring approximately 7 ¾" by 10 ⅝". The letter appears to be a xerox copy of a printed letter. Taped on one page of the letter is a broken syringe.

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The letter reads in part "We are ready and standing pat" and ends with "The Freedom Five Anti-Slavery".

Detective [ ] also provided a copy of UCLA police report #86-2803, dated June 3, 1986 and a property report regarding #86-2803 dated June 3, 1986.

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by SA [ ] /alg Date dictated 6/13/86  
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U.C.L.A.

Los Angeles, Calif

90024

ATTN: STUDENT BODY COUNCIL

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(initials)

WE ARE READY AND STANDING  
PAT. THE CARDS ARE ON THE  
TABLE AND WILL BE DEALT OUT  
IF NECESSARY AS SURE AS DAY  
FOLLOWS NIGHT. WE TOOK A VOTE  
AND IT WAS ON A MAJORITY  
(4-1) THAT WE APPROACH AND  
PROPOSE, FIRST, BEFORE ANY  
MAJOR DEATH BLOWS AND CRITICAL  
FINANCIAL CATASTROPHES BE  
EXECUTED.

IT IS VERY OBVIOUS TO ALL THAT  
THE RACIST REAGAN ADMINISTRATION  
DOES NOT GIVE A DAMN ABOUT  
THE BLACK MEN, WOMEN AND  
CHILDREN IN SOUTH AFRICA WHO  
ARE UNDER GENOCIDE SLAVERY  
AND ARE BEING MURDERED, MAIMED  
AND JAILED FOR WANTING TO BE  
FREE AND EQUAL IN THEIR OWN NATURAL  
PLACE OF BIRTH.

THEREFORE THIS FIGHT WE ARE  
GOING TO TAKE, ALL THE WAY TO THE  
END, WILL BE FOR THE FREEDOM AND  
EQUALITY THESE MILLIONS OF EN-  
SLAVED PEOPLE SO RIGHTLY DESERVE  
IN THEIR OWN NATURAL PLACE OF  
BIRTH.

EVIDENCE EVIDENCE EVIDENCE EVIDENCE



\* FAILURE TO DO SO - INJECTIONS  
WILL COMMENCE NATIONWIDE

ALL FRUITS - BANANAS, APPLES,  
ORANGES, GRAPES, MANGOS, ETC

ALL ICE CREAM - ALL PIES + CAKES

ALL FOOD CARTONS - MILK, SUGAR, ETC.

ALL MEATS - ALL BREADS - ALL DRINKS

ALL JARS - MAYONNAISE, PICKLES, ETC.  
PEANUT BUTTER, JELLY

WE HAVE DONE OUR TESTS + REHEARSALS  
TO A PERFECTION!

EXAMPLE - WRAPPER TAKEN OFF, TINY  
HOLE VERY SLOWLY MADE IN A TUNA CAN,  
TINY HOLE ELABORATELY SEALED BACK UP -  
UNDETECTABLE, WRAPPER GLUED BACK ON  
AND READY - FOR SHELF, INJECTION  
MADE

\* PLANS FOR:

1. 2. + 3. MUST \* BE ANNOUNCED ON THE  
AIR WITHIN TEN DAYS! \*





## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 6/25/86

[redacted] Secretary, OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT, ASSOCIATED STUDENTS, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT LOS ANGELES (UCLA), was contacted at her place of employment, Room Number [redacted] Kerckhoff Hall, UCLA Campus, telephone number [redacted]. [redacted] was thereafter advised of the official identity of the interviewing agent and the purpose of the interview. [redacted] explained she is employed by the UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT COUNCIL at UCLA and in this capacity, accepts and reviews mail addressed to the UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT BODY COUNCIL. In this regard, [redacted] believed that on May 30, 1986, she received mail for Student Body President [redacted] from [redacted]. She stated prior to graduation, [redacted] served in the capacity of Chief of Staff for the Associated Students at UCLA. On May 30, 1986, [redacted] checked the mail for Associated Students President, [redacted] and thereafter brought the mail to [redacted]. In opening the mail, [redacted] observed a manila envelope addressed to "U.C.L.A. Los Angeles, 90024, Attn: Student Body Council," wherein she opened the envelope and took out the contents. She thereafter observed a three page hand printed letter wherein attached to the first page was a broken hypodermic syringe with a needle. After observing the hypodermic needle, [redacted] threw the envelope and its contents into the trash. She related however, that she became curious as to the contents of the letter, and thereafter retrieved it from the trash and read it. She stated she was concerned about the contents of the letter and thereafter contacted the UCLA POLICE DEPARTMENT. She thereafter placed the letter back into the envelope and advised [redacted] who read the letter, and possibly passed it onto [redacted].

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[redacted] stated she left shortly thereafter for lunch and until being contacted by the FBI was unaware that UCLA POLICE DEPARTMENT had taken any action in this matter, or that subsequently the matter had been referred to the FBI.

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[redacted] was thereafter shown a brown manila envelope postmarked New York, New York, P.M., May 25, 1986, addressed to UCLA, Los Angeles, California, 90024, to the attention of the

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STUDENT BODY COUNCIL. \_\_\_\_\_ identified the envelope as the same envelope she received on or about May 30, 1986. She stated she was unsure of the date of receipt, however, after being advised that the UCLA POLICE DEPARTMENT took a report showing the date and time of notification as May 30, 1986, at 11:40 a.m., concurred that this would have been the appropriate date.

In addition to the above, \_\_\_\_\_ thereafter identified a 3 page hand printed letter beginning with "We are ready and standing pat. The cards are on the table and will be dealt out if necessary as sure as day follows night," and ends with "We have taken a blood oath to end this slavery and these murders!", "The Freedom Five (Anti-Slavery)." \_\_\_\_\_ also related her recall of the broken syringe and hypodermic needle taped to the first page of the letter.

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TRANSMIT VIA:

☐ Teletype  
☐ Facsimile  
☒ AIRTEL

PRECEDENCE:

☐ Immediate  
☐ Priority  
☐ Routine

CLASSIFICATION:

☐ TOP SECRET  
☐ SECRET  
☐ CONFIDENTIAL  
☐ UNCLAS E F T O  
☐ UNCLAS

Date 6/26/86

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI  
ATTN: LABORATORY DIVISION,  
IDENTIFICATION DIVISION,  
LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (9A-8066) (C-1) (RUC)

SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka  
FREEDOM FIVE (ANTI-SLAVERY);  
LETTER ADDRESSED TO THE  
UCLA STUDENT BODY COUNCIL;  
EXTORTION  
OO: New York

Enclosed for the Director, is the original and two  
copies each of the following:

One brown manila envelope approximately 4 1/2" x 10 1/2"  
addressed to "UCLA, Los Angeles, Calif. 90024, Attn: STUDENT  
BODY COUNCIL," postmarked New York, New York, P.M., May 25, 1986,  
and bearing a 22¢ postage stamp.

Three hand printed pages on white paper measuring  
approximately 7 3/4" x 10 5/8". The letter begins, "We are ready  
and standing pat", and ends, "the FREEDOM FIVE (Anti-Slavery)."  
Also contained on the first page of the letter is a broken  
"plastipak" syringe with a hypodermic needle attached.

Enclosed for New York are two copies each of two FD-302s  
and Agent's original notes, two copies each of the letter  
referred to above and one copy of the UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA  
POLICE investigation report.

For information of the Bureau and the New York Office,  
the enclosed envelope and letter were received on 5/30/86 and  
opened by [redacted] Secretary to the UNDERGRADUATE  
ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT LOS  
ANGELES (UCLA). Initially, [redacted] threw the envelope and its

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contents away without reading the letter, however retrieved it and thereafter notified the UCLA POLICE DEPARTMENT. The police department thereafter took an investigation report in this matter which was subsequently referred to the Los Angeles Office.

On 6/13/86, Detective [ ] UCLA POLICE DEPARTMENT, made available the envelope and the three page letter signed by "THE FREEDOM FIVE (Anti-Slavery)." The broken syringe and hypodermic needle appeared to bolster the threats to adulterate food and drink items innumrated in the letter. The demands of the letter call for the racist REAGAN Administration to cut economic ties with South Africa, free all political prisoners, and further that the "enslaved people of South Africa" be given food, medical needs and clothing. In this regard, the demands were to be met by June 1986, after which injections of food products would take place.

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Los Angeles indices are negative regarding captioned group or any other matters associated with the name THE FREEDOM FIVE (Anti-Slavery). Additionally, investigation at UCLA has failed to provide any other correspondence received by this group.

In view of the reference to the REAGAN Administration only, the UNITED STATES SECRET SERVICE OFFICE in Los Angeles has been advised of captioned matter and also provided an information copy of the envelope and letter. Los Angeles notes there is no specific threat to any SECRET SERVICE protectee, including the President, rather, the information was furnished for future information.

REQUEST OF THE BUREAU:

The FBI Laboratory is requested to conduct the necessary examinations of the broken syringe and hypodermic needle for any information of value in this case.

The FBI Identification Division, Latent Fingerprint Section, is requested to conduct the necessary examinations of the letter, syringe and hypodermic needle for any latent fingerprints of value.

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In view of the fact that the STUDENT BODY COUNCIL OF THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AT LOS ANGELES appears only to be a recipient and not a victim in this matter and since all logical investigation has been completed, in the absence of further investigation, Los Angeles considers this matter RUC.

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7/3/86

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (ATTN: PERSONAL CRIMES UNIT)  
FROM: SAC, WFO (9A-5409)

UNSUB(S), AKA  
THE FREEDOM FIVE;  
UNKNOWN VICTIM;  
EXTORTION;  
OO: NEW YORK

Re WFO airtel to Bureau, dated 6/12/86.

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The U.S. CAPITOL POLICE (Detective [REDACTED])  
apprised of status of investigation. Inasmuch as no active leads  
remain at WFO and no Congressional figures are specifically  
targeted, WFO will place matter in RUC status absent new threat  
letters arriving on Capitol Hill.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (ATTN: PERSONAL CRIMES UNIT)  
FROM: SAC, WFO (9A-5409) (enc)

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UNKNOWN VICTIM;  
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: ADIC, New York (9A-9505)(JTF-1)

July 7, 1986

Re: UNSUB(S), aka  
The Freedom Five;  
UNKNOWN VICTIM;  
EXTORTION

FBI FILE NO.

LAB. NO. 60605039 D/S VW XN  
60609051 D/S VW XN  
60613049 D/S VW XN  
60616060 D/S VW VF XN

OO: New York

Examination requested by: Addressee and SAC, Washington Field Office  
Reference: Communications dated May 30, 1986, June 3, 1986,  
June 10, 1986 and June 12, 1986  
Examination requested: Document - Chemical Analysis - Serological Analysis -  
Fingerprint  
Specimens received: June 5, 1986, from ADIC, New York, under cover  
of communication dated May 30, 1986 (60605039 D/S VW XN):

Specimens:

- Q1 Envelope postmarked "NEW YORK NY MAY 26 PM"  
bearing hand printed address "LIKE IT IS  
7 LINCOLN SQ. NYC, N. Y. 10023"
- Q2 Slip of paper bearing hand printed message beginning  
"CUT FOR ULTIMATE..."
- Qc3 Photocopy of three-page hand printed letter beginning  
"WE ARE READY..."
- Qc4 Second page beginning "I THE RACIST REAGAN..."
- Qc5 Third page beginning "\*FAILURE TO DO..."
- Q6 Hypodermic needle

ALSO SUBMITTED:

Photocopies of Q1 through Q5

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Specimens received June 9, 1986, from ADIC, New York, under cover of communication dated June 3, 1986 (60609051 D/S VW XN):

- Q7 Envelope postmarked "NEW YORK NY - JAT - ING USPS" MAY 24 1986"
- Qc8 Photocopy of hand printed three page letter beginning "WE ARE READY ..." with attached hypodermic needle
- Qc9 Second page beginning "\*FAILURE TO DO SO..."
- Qcl0 Third page beginning "I THE RACIST REAGAN ..."
- Ql1 Slip of paper bearing hand printed message beginning "CUT FOR ULTIMATE ..."

ALSO SUBMITTED:

Photocopies of Q7 through Ql1

Specimens received June 13, 1986, from ADIC, New York, under cover of communication dated June 10, 1986 (60613049 D/S VW XN):

- Ql2 Envelope bearing torn NEW YORK postmark and the hand printed address "THE VILLAGE VOICE 842 B'WAY NEW YORK, NY 10003"
- Ql3 Slip of paper bearing hand printed message beginning "CUT FOR ULTIMATE..."
- Qcl4 Photocopied three-page letter, first page beginning "We are Ready..." with attached hypodermic needle
- Qcl5 Second page beginning "I- THE RACIST REAGAN..."
- Qcl6 Third page beginning "\* FAILURE TO DO SO..."

ALSO SUBMITTED:

Photocopies of Ql2 through Qcl6

Specimens received June 16, 1986, from SAC, Washington Field Office, under cover of communication dated June 12, 1986 (60616060 D/S VW VF XN):

- Ql7 Envelope postmarked "NEW YORK MAY 26 PM" and bearing hand printed address "Senator Ted Kennedy (D-MASS) Washington, D.C."

- Q18 Slip of paper bearing hand printed message beginning "CUT FOR ULTIMATE ..."
- Qc19 Photocopied three-page hand printed letter, first page beginning "WE ARE READY ..." with attached hypodermic needle
- Qc20 Second page beginning "1. THE RACIST REAGAN ..."
- Qc21 Third page beginning "\* FAILURE TO DO SO ..."

Result of examination:

Specimens Q1 through Qc21 were searched through the Anonymous Letter File without associating this case with any other investigative matter. Copies were added to this file for future reference.

It was determined all the photocopy specimens were prepared by a common indirect electrostatic process which uses a dry toner, and plain sheets of paper. Brand names of photocopiers with these characteristics include 3M, Gestetner, Minolta, Panasonic, Ricoh, Sanyo, Savin, Sharp, Toshiba, and others.

Questioned writing on most of the submitted specimens may be suitable for a handwriting examination if an adequate amount of known writing is obtained.

It may be possible to associate the irregular perforated edges of the postage stamps on Q1, Q7 and Q17 with the booklet(s) where each originated by means of a torn edge examination.

No drugs, poisons, or identifiable chemicals were found in the syringes of specimens Q6, Qc8, Qc14, and Qc19.

Q1 through Qc21 were examined for watermarks and indented writing of value with negative results.

Submitted specimens were photographed for record. You will be advised in the latent fingerprint report concerning their disposition and that of the ALSO SUBMITTED items. The results of the requested psycholinguistic examination will be the subject of a separate report.

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: ADIC, New York (9A-9505)(JTF-1)

July 7, 1986

Re: UNSUB(S), aka  
The Freedom Five;  
UNKNOWN VICTIM;  
EXTORTION

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OO: New York

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Fingerprint  
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of communication dated May 30, 1986 (60605039 D/S VW XN):

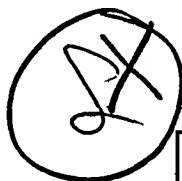
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**ALSO SUBMITTED:**

Photocopies of Q1 through Q5

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: SAC, Los Angeles (9A-8066)

August 12, 1986

FBI FILE NO. 9-69658

LAB. NO. 60703042 D/S VW XN  
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Re: UNSUBS; aka  
FREEDOM FIVE (ANTI-SLAVERY);  
LETTER ADDRESSED TO THE  
UCLA STUDENT BODY COUNCIL;  
EXTORTION

OO: New York

Examination requested by: Addressee

Reference: Communication dated June 26, 1986

Examination requested: Document - Chemical Analysis - Fingerprint

Specimens received: July 3, 1986

Specimens:

Q22 Envelope postmarked "NEW YORK .NY PM MAY 25 198"  
and bearing hand printed address "U.C.L.A. Los Angeles,  
Calif 90024"

Qc23 Three page photocopied letter, first page beginning  
"WE ARE READY..." with attached hypodermic needle

Qc24 Second page beginning "1. THE RACIST REAGAN..."

Qc25 Third page beginning "\* FAILURE TO DO..."

ALSO SUBMITTED:

Two photocopies of Q22 through Qc25

Result of examination:

Specimens Q22 through Qc25 were searched through  
the Anonymous Letter File without associating this case with  
any other investigative matter. Copies were added to this  
file for future reference.

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The cut syringe attached by scotch tape to specimen Qc23 was identified as a B-D U-100 Insulin syringe (1 cc capacity) manufactured by Becton, Dickinson and Company, Rutherford, N.J.

One or possibly two unidentified chemicals were rinsed from inside the syringe. No common drugs, pesticides or poisons were found.

X The gas chromatographic behavior coupled with the various mass spectra obtained from the compound(s) isolated from the syringe associated with specimen Qc23, would provide an excellent basis for comparison of any similar specimens submitted to this Laboratory.

It was determined all the photocopy specimens submitted thus far in this case were prepared by a common indirect electrostatic process which uses a dry toner and plain paper. Brand names of photocopiers with these characteristics include 3M, Gestetner, Minolta, Panasonic, Rico, Sanyo, Savin, Sharp, Toshiba, and others.

Questioned writing on most of the questioned specimens is suitable for a handwriting examination if an adequate amount of known writing is obtained.

Q22 through Qc25 were examined for watermarks and indented writing of value with negative results.

The submitted specimens were photographed for record. You will be advised in the latent fingerprint report concerning their disposition and that of the ALSO SUBMITTED item.

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: SAC, Los Angeles (9A-8066)

August 12, 1986

FBI FILE NO. 9-69658

LAB. NO. 60703042 D/S VW XN

Re: UNSUBS; aka  
FREEDOM FIVE (ANTI-SLAVERY);  
LETTER ADDRESSED TO THE  
UCLA STUDENT BODY COUNCIL;  
EXTORTION

OO: New York

Examination requested by: Addressee

Reference: Communication dated June 26, 1986

Examination requested: Document - Chemical Analysis - Fingerprint

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## REPORT

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### LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

YOUR FILE NO. 9-5409 (C-4) (P)  
FBI FILE NO. 9-69658  
LATENT CASE NO. C-57508

8/18/86

TO: SAC, WFO

RE: UNSUB, aka  
The Freedom Five;  
EXTORTION

REFERENCE: Airtel 6/12/86  
EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: WFO  
SPECIMENS: Q17, envelope  
Q18, slip of paper  
Qc19 through Qc21, three-page letter

The specimens are further described in a separate Laboratory report.

The specimens were examined and eight latent fingerprints of value were developed on Qc19 through Qc21.

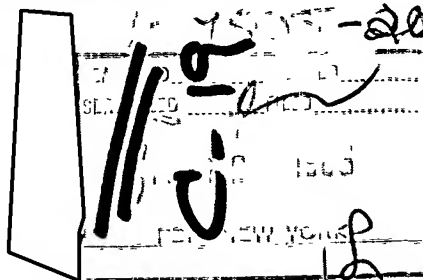
The current latent fingerprints were compared with comparable areas of the latent prints previously developed on specimens submitted by New York, but no identification was effected.

An automated fingerprint search was conducted in the LFPS fingerprint file, but no identification was effected.

The specimens are enclosed.

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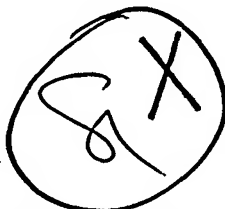
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## TRANSMIT VIA:

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☒ AIRTEL

## PRECEDENCE:

☐ Immediate  
☐ Priority  
☐ Routine

## CLASSIFICATION:

☐ TOP SECRET  
☐ SECRET  
☐ CONFIDENTIAL  
☐ UNCLAS E F T O  
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Date 9/3/86

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
 (ATTN: FBI LABORATORY, SAS [REDACTED])  
 AND [REDACTED]

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FROM: ADIC, NEW YORK (9A-9505) (P) (JTF-1)

SUBJECT: UNSUB(S), aka  
 The Freedom Five  
 UNKNOWN VICTIM  
 EXTORTION  
 (OO: NY)

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Enclosed for Denver is a copy of a threatening letter sent to Amsterdam News, New York, New York.

For the information of Denver, during May and June, 1986, letters identical to enclosures were sent to the following locations:

1. ABC News, New York, New York, on or about 5/27/86.
2. Amsterdam News, New York, New York, on or about 6/2/86.
3. Village Voice Newspaper, New York, New York, on or about 6/2/86.
4. Senator EDWARD KENNEDY, Washington, D.C. on or about 5/28/86.
5. U.C.L.A. Student Body Council, Los Angeles, California, on or about 5/30/86.

All of the above letters were postmarked New York, New York.

3-Bureau  
 (1-FBI Laboratory)  
 2-Denver (192B-143)  
 1-New York

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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Transmitted \_\_\_\_\_ (Number) (Time)

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As evident in the enclosed letters, extortionate demands were made on the recipient, threatening the poisoning of food products.

To date, no suspects have been developed at New York, Washington Field and Los Angeles Field Offices and no further communications have been received since early June, 1986.

Based on telephone conversation between SA [ ] New York Office and SA [ ] FBI Laboratory, there appears to be several similarities between captioned investigation and Denver case entitled, "UNSUB(S); SAFEWAY STORE, 2425 MINER STREET, IDAHO SPRINGS, COLORADO, 7/18/86". According to FBI Laboratory, the syringe utilized in the Denver investigation is identical to that used in above-mentioned threats.

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Currently, the New York Office (which is the Office of Origin in this matter) is in possession of all pertinent data associated with investigations at Washington Field and Los Angeles.

REQUEST OF THE BUREAU

The FBI Laboratory is requested to forward to New York copies of Denver airtel requesting analysis and fingerprint examination as per referenced NYtelcal.

The FBI Laboratory is also requested, if not already done, to make fingerprint and handwriting comparisons with all Unsub, aka Freedom Five cases.

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AT IDAHO, SPRINGS, COLORADO. Will furnish New York with any details regarding its investigation that are not set forth in Denver airtel to FBIHQ, supra.

**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION**

Washington, D. C. 20537

**REPORT**

of the

**LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION  
IDENTIFICATION DIVISION**

YOUR FILE NO. 9-8066 (C-1)  
FBI FILE NO. 9-69658  
LATENT CASE NO. C-57508

9/4/86

TO: SAC, Los Angeles

RE: UNSUBS, aka  
Freedom Five (Anti-Slavery);  
LETTER ADDRESSED TO THE UCLA STUDENT BODY COUNCIL;  
EXTORTION

REFERENCE: Airtel 6/26/86  
EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: Los Angeles  
SPECIMENS: Q22, envelope  
Qc23 through Qc25, three-page letter

The Q specimens are further described in a separate Laboratory report.

The specimens were examined and sixteen latent fingerprints and two latent impressions, which are either fingerprints or palm prints, of value for identification purposes were developed.

An automated fingerprint search was conducted in the LFPS fingerprint file, but no identification was effected.

The specimens are enclosed.

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[redacted] advised that on incident date at approximately 6:00 P.M., he found a four page letter and its corresponding transmittal envelope in his VV mailbox. The envelope which contained the letter had previously been opened. [redacted] speculated that the letter had originally arrived in the VV newspaper mailroom, whereupon another VV employee opened the envelope, read the letter and then directed it to him, because he is the Letter Editor. [redacted] noted that the postage stamps had been torn from the transmittal envelope. The only thing that remained on the envelope which indicated that it had been sent through the United States mail was a partial postmark, which read "ew York, NY 1986." [redacted] noted that he had gone to the VV mailroom and searched the trash for the missing portion of the envelope. [redacted] was not successful in locating the missing portion of the envelope.

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[redacted] supplied SA [redacted] with the four page letter and transmittal envelope. These documents are further described as follows:

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1. Original small piece of white paper containing a hand printed message in blue ink. This message read as follows:

"CUT FOR ULTIMATE CONCEALMENT. INJECTIONS CAN BE MADE FROM PEN, OPEN HAND ATTACHED TO RING AND ETC. FROM CYANIDE TO LSD MEGADOSES. WE ARE READY! TEN DAYS!!"

Investigation on 6/6/86 at New York, New York File # NY 9A-9505-23

By SA [redacted] /amf

Date Dictated 6/6/86

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2. Original brown envelope, addressed as follows:

"The VILLAGE VOICE 842 B'WAY NEW YORK, NY 10003," with the partial postmark "ew York, NY 1986." Also appearing on the face of this envelope is the partially obliterated name [redacted]

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3. Photocopy of three page hand printed letter. These three pages are further described as follows:

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Investigation on 6/6/86 at New York, New York File # NY 9A-9505 -23

By SA [redacted] /amf

Date Dictated 6/6/86

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### LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

YOUR FILE NO. 9-9505 (JTF-1) (P)  
FBI FILE NO. 9-69658  
LATENT CASE NO. C-57508

8/12/86

TO: ADIC, New York

Attention: SA

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RE: UNSUB(S), aka  
The Freedom Five;  
UNKNOWN VICTIM;  
EXTORTION

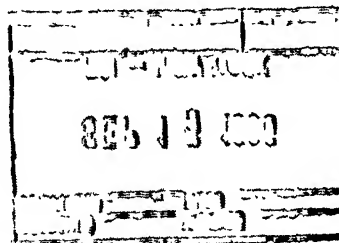
REFERENCE: Airtel 5/30/86  
EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: New York  
SPECIMENS: Q1, envelope  
Q2, slip of paper  
Qc3, first page of letter  
Qc4, second page of letter  
Qc5, third page of letter  
Q6, hypodermic needle

The Q specimens are further described in a separate Laboratory report.

No latent prints of value for identification purposes were developed on the specimens.

The specimens are enclosed.

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FBI FILE NO. 9-69658  
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8/15/86

TO: ADIC, New York

Attention: SA b6  
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RE: UNSUB(S), aka  
The Freedom Five;  
UNKNOWN VICTIM;  
EXTORTION

REFERENCE: Airtel 6/3/86  
EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: New York  
SPECIMENS: Q7, envelope  
Qc8 through Qc10, three-page letter  
Q11, slip of paper

The specimens are further described in a separate Laboratory report.

The specimens were examined and seven latent fingerprints, three of which are impressions of tips, sides and lower joints of fingers, of value were developed on Qc8 through Qc10.

An automated fingerprint search was conducted in the LFPS fingerprint file, but no identification was effected.

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## TRANSMIT VIA:

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## PRECEDENCE:

☐ Immediate☐ Priority☐ Routine

## CLASSIFICATION:

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Date 10/2/86

1 TO: ADIC, NEW YORK (9A-9505) (JTF-1)

2 FROM: SAC, DENVER (192B-143) P

3 SUBJECT: UNSUB(S), aka  
4 The Freedom Five;  
5 UNKNOWN VICTIM  
6 EXTORTION  
7 OO: NEW YORK

8 Re New York airtel to the Director, 9/3/86.

9 Enclosed for New York are two copies each of four (4)  
10 threatening communications used in July, 1986, in Colorado  
11 Hobbs Act - Commercial Institution Matters12 By referenced airtel, New York provided Denver  
13 information regarding extortinate demand involving  
14 threatened poisoning of food products being investigated by  
15 the New York Office. New York indicated that the FBI Laboratory  
16 had indicated that there appeared to be several similarities  
17 between captioned matter and a matter being investigated in  
18 Denver under the caption, "UNSUB(S); SAFEWAY STORE, 2495 Miner  
19 Street, Idaho Springs, Colorado - VICTIM; HOBBS ACT -  
20 COMMERCIAL INSTITUTION; 7/18/86." New York requested that it  
21 be advised of any details regarding the Denver investigation.For the information of New York, the Idaho Springs  
matter was one of at least four which occurred in July, 1986,  
in Colorado, in which written communications were used.  
Copies of these communications are being furnished to New York.  
Based on a review of these Colorado communications and a  
comparison with the communication used in captioned New York  
matter, Denver is of the opinion that there is absolutely no  
relationship whatsoever in the types of communications used in  
these cases. As New York will see, the Denver matters are

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straightforward extortinate-type communications which do not contain any of the political or racial rhetoric replete in the written threat used in the New York matter. The Colorado communications were not mailed and were left in various stores throughout the state.

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King Sooper Stores  
Fort Collins, CO

Friday, July 11

Mr. K.S. Stone Manager:

You have been randomly selected to receive this epistle. For your C.E.O., [redacted] we trust you will straightaway react to its message.

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Our father, who recently lost his job because of King Soopers, is currently under-going severe mental transitions. With only 10 years to go before retirement, your company has robbed him of his "peace of mind". Therefore, King Soopers will pay by:

I. Cash compensation of \$300,000 (10 years @ \$30K = \$300,000) or

II. ~~Sooper~~ suffer the loss of marketing and sales throughout the King Sooper's retail areas by the following methods:

- a). random King Sooper customers and employees will experience a bombing at their homes. (the simple enclosed sample is obviously a common road safety flare that will be ~~converted~~ converted for our purposes by adding an explosive substance to the hollow chamber - a "King Sooper firecracker".)
- b). Toxins will be injected into ~~various~~ various foods throughout the K.S. Trade areas).
- c). Media ~~PSAs~~ PSAs will be provided to each targeted area.

Compensation of \$300K shall be conducted by the following procedures:

- ①. [redacted] at Sunbarel, or his ~~own~~ assistant [redacted] shall deliver every Friday \$50,000 in unmarked \$50 and \$100 bills to prescribed locations until the \$300,000 has been satisfied.
- ②. we will attempt to only contact [redacted] and [redacted] as they are certainly honourable men - unlike ~~some~~ some of your chief operating officers. However, precaution obviously mandates possible contact with various stone managers - for liaison purposes.
- ③. [redacted] is to deliver the first installment, today Friday, July 11th, 1986. At 6:00 p.m.

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he is to be at the "Old Church Soppes" in  
Ester Park. "Old Church" is located on main street.  
It was the former Presbyterian church and has  
been converted to tourist shops. On the lower  
level is a public pay telephone. [ ] is to  
wait for a call providing further instructions.  
The money is to be placed in a tripled  
lined plastic KS shopping bag - sample enclosed.

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any attempt to apprehend or sabotage our en-  
deavors to right a wrong brought about by King  
Soppes, will only prolong and increase the  
amount of compensation.

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Should [ ] or [ ] not appear in Ester  
Park, then procedure II will be implemented  
starting ~~at 10:00 AM on July 11th~~. We will contact  
the media for within the specific target area.

Friday evening, July 11th

\$35,000 in \$50 and \$100 bills  
(obviously unmarked)

This is a sample of the contents of  
2 bombs (four sticks - 12" long) with  
electric timing that are placed  
within your store. We also  
know where [redacted]

[redacted] live. Inquiry  
was made today about [redacted] boat.

and, should you be so foolish to  
contact local law authorities, then  
we will be mandated to inflict  
a 45 slug within your city, or trade  
area - courtesy of Safeway for not  
honouring an extortion ~~demand~~  
demand. The genl public will be so  
informed.

You will be called tomorrow, Tues-  
day, July 15 for dispositional instructions  
of the aforementioned monies.

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Friday, July 25

<sup>extortion</sup>  
this epistle is intended for management eyes only.

a few minutes ago 20 cc's of sodium cyanide was injected into one of your food products.

← this 1cc container is a sample of the needle used - easily to conceal in a purse.

instructions: within 10 minutes of reading this epistle, place \$5,000 unmarked 10's, 20's, 50's and 100's in a double lined safe way plastic shopping bag. Deliver to the church parking lot across the street from your store - west side on Cleveland. Place bag and its contents on the north side of the red storage shed that is located in the church parking lot.

this is a small sample of a piece of sodium cyanide egg that was dissolved for injection

approx. 10 minutes after the money pickup, you will be notified by myself or my associate as to what product is contaminated. REMOVE FROM THE SHELF STRAIGHTAWAY.

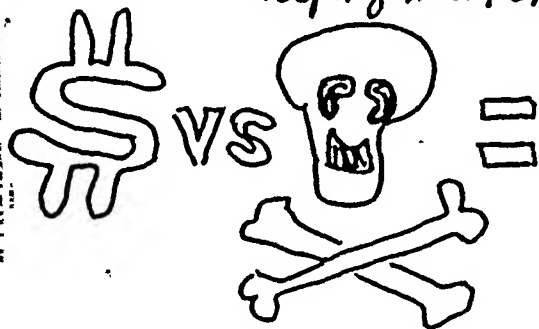
should you contact the police and I am apprehended, then you obviously will never know what product is contaminated. my associate will contaminate other products.

strategy: Of course we are basing our strategy solely on Safeway's dependence for customers and their pocket-books, i.e, if word should spread of sodium cyanide contaminated products, then they, SAFEWAY customers, will go elsewhere. Thus, affecting sales \$ \$ \$ \$ and, of course litigation from customer injury ~~can~~ be costly and embarrassing.

LET'S  
Keep a  
Secret:

your employees need not know of this situation - they like to talk. and, you know local police have a tendency to bungle procedures. If they (police) get involved, then the entire town knows of the dilemma.

therefore, we won't tell if you don't. However, if you don't deliver, copies of this extortion note will be given to the media and other responsible citizens - which would reveal you are more interested in keeping the \$5,000 than customer safety.



SAFEWAY CUSTOMER SAFETY  
OR SAFEWAY SALES ?

which is most important?  
the obvious answer is both. You can have both - just follow the above instructions.

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ught the robbers  
your April holdup?

Monday, July 28th

[ ] - Public Relations  
Safeway Stores Incorporated

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fever  
SPUR 36  
3/17 to Gorka  
visitors of RNL left

We want to thank you for the excellent media coverage provided to the Loveland incident. Making the front page of the Rocky Mountain News is more than we expected.

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You of course realize we had no interest in the \$5,000. Loveland was only a trial run. We are after bigger amounts. By the way, only beef liver was contaminated in Loveland.

[ ] to verify the authenticity of this epistle in alignment to the Loveland dilemma, we want to emphasize the word "STRAIGHTAWAY", which, as you probably know is an unusual expression. (For your information, the word is used numerously by one of the New Testament authors).

**NOW HERE IS THE KICKER:** We want \$300,000 from Safeway in \$50s and \$100 dollar bills. Of course they need to be un-marked - no stains, dyes or sensing devices. The money is to be delivered in a bowling ball bag to the Old Church Gift Shop on Elkhorn (Main) Street in Estes Park. We want [ ] here in Greeley to make the delivery. He is to be at the Old Church at 2:57 p.m., Tuesday, July 29th, and wait by the pay telephone in the lower level (by the restrooms) for further instructions. Of course he is to be alone. Should [ ] be incompatible, then [ ] of Idaho Spgs can make the delivery.

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You obviously realize we can play havoc with Safeway sales now and forever. It is impossible to check purses. Customers would not tolerate the procedure. And, incidently, about one week ago we tested the Golden and Idaho Spgs stores. Cyanid was applied to hamburger at your Golden store. It (the hamburger) was then placed on a shelf in the light bulb section. It may still be there. At Idaho Spgs, cyanid was injected in hamburger and yogurt and placed in the shoe polish section behind Kiwi's Neet Feet. As explained, those stores were used only for test purposes to determine how easy products can be contaminated. The cyanid eggs can be even simpler. They can be easily dispensed into bulk and packaged foods in granulated form.

For your information, we will never identify a specific brand as being contaminated, such as Watts Hardy, Old Timer, Swifts, Coke, etc. - only a product within Safeway.

Again, you are asked to "LET'S KEEP A SECRET". The media, police and FBI need not be involved. However, if [ ] do not appear, then copies of this epistle will be sent to the respective media in the next selected Safeway trade area. And, of course, other responsible citizens will be so informed. Look at it this way - perhaps our tactics may prevent a DART takeover.

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PS. Are you still a little on the heavy side, and do you continue to smoke? You really need to cut down on both.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

MEMORANDUM

DATE: 10/20/86

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (9A-9505) (C)

FROM : SA

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SUBJECT: UNSUB(S), aka  
THE FREEDOM FIVE;  
UNKNOWN VICTIM;  
EXTORTION;  
(OO:NY)

ReNYairtel to Director and DN 9/3/86 and DNairtel to NY  
10/2/86.

Referenced airtel from NY to Director <sup>AND</sup> in Denver requests Denver to compare extortion demand note involved in captioned case with Denver case "UNSUB; SAFE WAY STORE, 2495 MINER STREET, IDAHO SPRINGS, COLORADO-VICTIM; HOBBS ACT-COMMERCIAL INSTITUTION; 7/18/86.". Referenced airtel from Denver to New York sets forth copies of Denver extortion demand note and indicates that Denver is of the opinion that there is no relationship whatsoever in the types of communications used in these two cases.

Based on the above and the fact that all other pertinent investigation has proved negative in this case, the captioned case is being placed in a Closed status.

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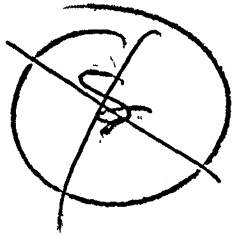
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

MEMORANDUM

DATE: 2/1/87

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI  
\* (ATTN: PERSONAL CRIMES UNIT)

FROM : ADIC, NEW YORK (9A-9505) (C)

SUBJECT: UNSUB(S), aka  
The Freedom Five;  
UNKNOWN VICTIM EXTORTION  
(OO:NY)

ReNYairtel to Director, dated 9/3/86.

For the information of the Bureau (Personal Crimes Unit) all logical investigation in this matter has been conducted resulting in no fruitful leads. Based on the above and the fact that all other pertinent investigation has proved negative in this case, this investigation has been placed in a Closed status by NY.

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Washington, D. C. 20537

## REPORT

of the

## LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

YOUR FILE NO. 9-8066 (C-1)  
FBI FILE NO. 9-69658  
LATENT CASE NO. C-57508

9/4/86

TO: SAC, Los Angeles

RE: UNSUBS, aka  
Freedom Five (Anti-Slavery);  
LETTER ADDRESSED TO THE UCLA STUDENT BODY COUNCIL;  
EXTORTION

REFERENCE: Airtel 6/26/86  
EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: Los Angeles  
SPECIMENS: Q22, envelope  
Qc23 through Qc25, three-page letter

The Q specimens are further described in a separate Laboratory report.

The specimens were examined and sixteen latent fingerprints and two latent impressions, which are either fingerprints or palm prints, of value for identification purposes were developed.

An automated fingerprint search was conducted in the LFPS fingerprint file, but no identification was effected.

The specimens are enclosed.

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AIRTEL

7/31/86

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
(ATTENTION: PERSONAL CRIMES UNIT, CID;

FBI LABORATORY  
DOCUMENT SECTION)

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FROM: SAC, DENVER (192B-144) (P)

SUBJECT: "CHANGED"

UNSUB;

SAFEWAY STORES, INC. ✓  
STORE #915

860 NORTH CLEVELAND AVENUE *NEEDS*  
LOVELAND, COLORADO *CRIME DATA*

7/25/86 *CRIME DATA*  
HOBBS ACT - COMMERCIAL INSTITUTION; *UFO*  
TCP/110

(OO: DENVER)

ORIGINAL  
Copy & Specs Detached

Title marked changed to reflect date of captioned incident.

Re Denver teletypes to the Bureau, dated 7/26/86 and 7/31/86, and Denver airtel to the Bureau, dated 7/31/86, captioned "UNSUB(S); SAFEWAY STORE, 2425 MINER STREET, IDAHO SPRINGS, COLORADO - VICTIM, 7/18/86, HOBBS ACT - COMMERCIAL INSTITUTION, OO: DENVER." (Denver file 192B-143). *60801023-D 192-*

Enclosed for the Bureau are the following:

- 6 - Bureau (AM, RM)
  - (1) - package copy)
- 4 - Denver (2 - 192B-144)
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1. Original extortion note received by Safeway Store #915, 860 North Cleveland Avenue, Loveland, dated Friday, July 25.
2. Hypodermic syringe attached to item #1.
3. White legal size envelope in which items #1 and #2 were contained.
4. Photocopy of item #1 recovered from a public telephone located in the vicinity of the Safeway store.
5. White legal size envelope which contained item #4.
6. Extortion note (a photocopy of the apparent original) received by King Soopers Store, 1015 South Taft Hill Road, Ft. Collins, Colorado, dated Friday, July 11.
7. Manila envelope labeled [ ] which contained item #6.
8. Road flare with yellow tubing and black tape received with item #6.
9. Extortion letter (a photocopy of the apparent original) which was received at the Safeway store, Brighton, Colorado, on July 28, 1986.

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Enclosed for the Personal Crimes Unit, CID, is one photocopy each of the above extortion letters for information.

Enclosed for [ ] is one photocopy each of the above extortion letters for psycholinguistic analysis.

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For the information of the Bureau, captioned matter appears to relate to a series of extortionate demands directed against supermarket chains within the Denver metropolitan area. Pursuant to the investigation of captioned matter, Denver believes it is related to a previously unreported incident which was

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investigated by the Ft. Collins, Colorado, Police Department, and an incident already under investigation by Denver, in Denver file 192B-143, each of which have similarities in modus operandi and/or extortion drop instructions.

The Ft. Collins incident occurred on July 11, 1986, and involved a threat to set off an explosive at the King Soopers store located at 1015 South Taft Hill Road, Ft. Collins, Colorado. In that incident, the extortion letter was handed by an unsub to a customer who then conveyed it to a store clerk. The drop instructions were in many ways similar to those described in referenced 7/31/86, teletype, and the proposed initial contact points, a store in Estes Park, Colorado, were identical. No action, however, was taken with respect to the letter because the letter was not delivered to the store management until 7/17/86 - five days after the extortion drop was to have occurred.

In the Idaho Springs incident, store personnel discovered an extortion letter on 7/18/86. The letter demanded \$35,000 in cash and stated that an explosive device hidden in the store would be detonated if the payment was not made. The letter advised that further instructions would be provided "tomorrow, Tuesday, July 15." No contact from the unsub was reported.

As described in referenced 7/31/86, teletype, on 7/28/86, Safeway Security advised Denver that unsub, while alluding to the Loveland, Colorado, incident, had dropped a letter containing drop instructions at a Safeway store located in Brighton, Colorado. Pursuant to the instructions in the letter, Denver covered the alleged drop; however, no final drop instructions were ever received from the extortionist, and the surveillance was terminated.

#### REQUEST OF THE BUREAU

The Identification Division, Latent Fingerprint Section, is requested to process the original items for latent fingerprints to include the underside of taped items. Items from the King Soopers extortion were processed by the Fort Collins Police Department without success. Request these items be processed again.

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**REPORT  
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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: SAC, Los Angeles (9A-8066)

August 12, 1986

FBI FILE NO. 9-69658

LAB. NO. 60703042 D/S VW XN

Re: UNSUBS; aka  
FREEDOM FIVE (ANTI-SLAVERY);  
LETTER ADDRESSED TO THE  
UCLA STUDENT BODY COUNCIL;  
EXTORTION

OO: New York

Examination requested by: Addressee

Reference: Communication dated June 26, 1986

Examination requested: Document - Chemical Analysis - Fingerprint

Specimens received July 3, 1986

**Specimens:**

Q22 Envelope postmarked "NEW YORK .NY PM MAY 25 198"  
and bearing hand printed address "U.C.L.A. Los Angeles,  
Calif 90024"

Qc23 Three page photocopied letter, first page beginning  
"WE ARE READY..." with attached hypodermic needle

Qc24 Second page beginning "1. THE RACIST REAGAN..."

Qc25 Third page beginning "\* FAILURE TO DO..."

**ALSO SUBMITTED:**

Two photocopies of Q22 through Qc25

**Result of examination:**

Specimens Q22 through Qc25 were searched through  
the Anonymous Letter File without associating this case with  
any other investigative matter. Copies were added to this  
file for future reference.

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The cut syringe attached by scotch tape to specimen Qc23 was identified as a B-D U-100 Insulin syringe (1 cc capacity) manufactured by Becton, Dickinson and Company, Rutherford, N.J.

One or possibly two unidentified chemicals were rinsed from inside the syringe. No common drugs, pesticides or poisons were found.

The gas chromatographic behavior coupled with the various mass spectra obtained from the compound(s) isolated from the syringe associated with specimen Qc23, would provide an excellent basis for comparison of any similar specimens submitted to this Laboratory.

It was determined all the photocopy specimens submitted thus far in this case were prepared by a common indirect electrostatic process which uses a dry toner and plain paper. Brand names of photocopiers with these characteristics include 3M, Gestetner, Minolta, Panasonic, Rico, Sanyo, Savin, Sharp, Toshiba, and others.

Questioned writing on most of the questioned specimens is suitable for a handwriting examination if an adequate amount of known writing is obtained.

Q22 through Qc25 were examined for watermarks and indented writing of value with negative results.

The submitted specimens were photographed for record. You will be advised in the latent fingerprint report concerning their disposition and that of the ALSO SUBMITTED item.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC New York

DATE: OCT 3 1992

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (9A-8066) (C-1) (RUC)

☐ RUC

SUBJECT: UNSUB; aka  
FREEDOM FIVE (ANTI-SLAVERY);  
LETTER ADDRESSED TO THE  
UCLA STUDENT BODY COUNCIL;  
EXTORTION  
OO: New York

☒ File Destruction Program

Enclosed are \_\_\_\_\_ items.  
These items are forwarded your office since:

☐ All logical investigation completed in this Division

☒ You were OO at the time our case was RUC'd.

Enclosures are described as follows:

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NOTE: DO NOT BLOCK STAMP ORIGINAL ENCLOSURES.